

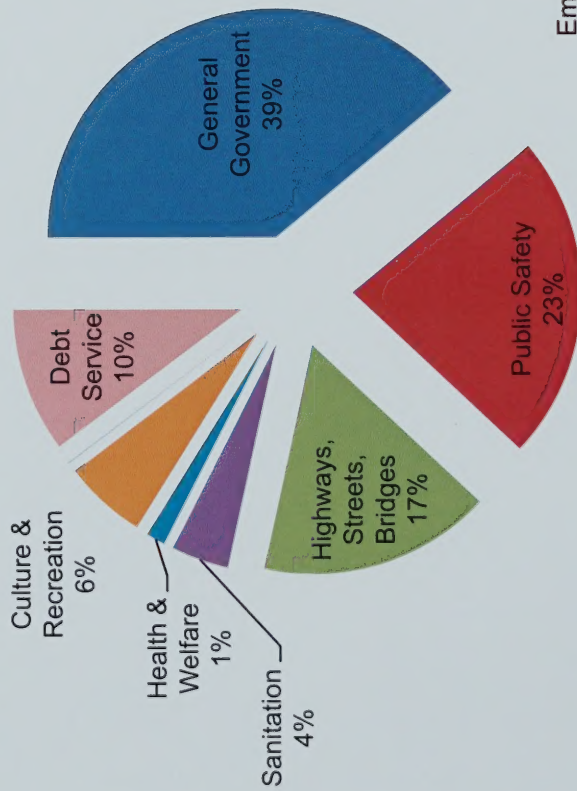
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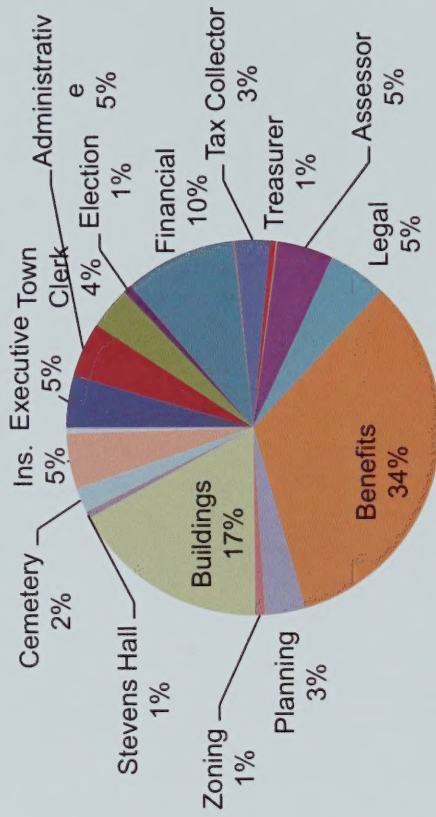


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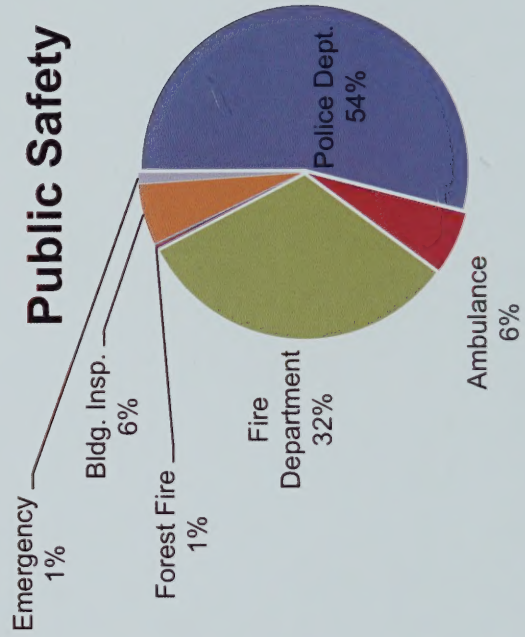
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For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013

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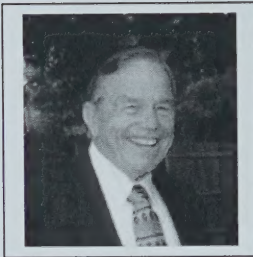
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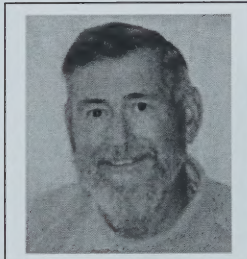
In Memoriam

They were our friends, our neighbors;
Some spent only days upon this earth,
some almost a century;
Each was unique, each one treasured;
All of them will be missed.



Bill Morrill

An ordained Anglican Deacon, Rev. Morrill served as Police Chief in Chester in the 1970's and was a member of the Chester Lions Club.



Charles "Steve" Thissell

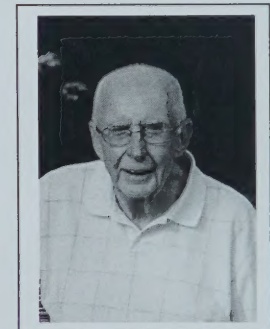
An educator in area schools for many years and an Assistant Basketball coach at Pinkerton. Steve lived in Chester for 40 years.

**Jean Amato
Glenn Bethune
Norma Cammett
Beverly Child
Paul Constantineau
Ian Creeden
Richard D'Agostino
Shelley Furtado
Barbara Hutchinson
William Johnston
Marena Maggio
Davenie McFarland
William G. Morrill
Gladys T. Nicoll
Kenneth Parsons
Gabriel Ramirez
Ella J. Robitaille
Nancy Rolo
Roy Sikes
Charles "Steve" Thissell
Jeannette Williamson
William J. Young**



Gladys T. Nicoll

Recipient of the Chester Boston Post Cane and so much more to the Town of Chester. This year's Annual Town Report is dedicated to Gladys.

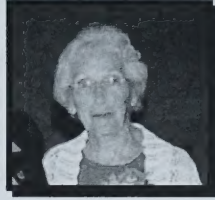


Bill Young

Retired to Florida, Bill lived more than 40 years in Chester, where he (along with wife Jan) raised four children. In his heart, Chester has always been his "home."

Dates of passing range from 2012-2014. Any omissions are inadvertent, and we ask your forgiveness. Please contact the Board of Selectmen's Office so that we may include any missing information in the next edition of the Annual Report. Thank you for your understanding.

Gladys T. Nicoll (1917-2013)

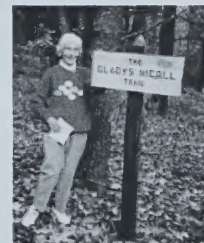


Long before John Wayne (*aka Rooster Cogburn*) singlehandedly took on the outlaw band, clutching horse reins in his teeth, and a gun in each hand in the iconic 1969 film, the term 'True Grit' had already been defined and demonstrated by a little lady living in Chester, New Hampshire. Gladys Nicoll was all about true grit. Behind all of that resolution and an indomitable spirit was an enormous heart.

Gladys was born in Derry, attended school there, graduating from Pinkerton Academy with the class of 1934. Acting as her class correspondent until her passing, Gladys was inducted into the Pinkerton Hall of Fame in 2006. After high school, she continued her education in Boston where she received a teaching certificate from the Bouve-Boston School of Physical Education. Her formal education would provide the basis for a life-long passion of teaching, both in institutional settings and in life.

Married to Robert 'Bob' Nicoll in 1940, they moved to Chester in 1941. And for more than seventy years from that time on, Chester would be the grateful recipient of Gladys' gift of teaching. Raising two sons and a daughter, Gladys put her family first and the family's weekly Wednesday evening gatherings at her home (and later at her granddaughter's home) were an essential tool to keep the loving family connected, which eventually included her four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Teaching physical education at Manchester West and Central high schools, as well as 3rd and 4th grades in Chester, Derry and Salem, P.E. was not just a theoretical subject for Gladys. She truly lived the life. Active into her 90's, Gladys, an avid sportswoman, was a physically slight woman with a hardy granite nature who walked, hiked and snow-shoed throughout Chester, on both roads and trails. That love of hiking and her true love of the outdoors would propel her to promote the creation and development of Chester's Natural Area located behind Chester Academy. The paths throughout the forest there are preserved for all to enjoy, and a posted sign dedicated to Gladys Nicoll reminds those who pass by it of her significance.



A dedicated advocate for nature and the outdoors, Gladys was known by many as the 'Tree Lady.' Hosting groups of children at her home, she taught them to identify plants, fauna and trees on the property, and also took groups on walking tours of Chester center, where she expounded on the history of the town's older homes. A docent for the Forest Society, Gladys devoted considerable time to spreading her love and more importantly her enthusiasm of the outdoors to countless people.



Her enthusiasm for the town of Chester was relentless, and she was a dedicated campaigner for all kinds of preservation. As years passed and the American Legion Hall fell into disrepair, there was a suggestion by some that it was time to take the structure down. Gladys would have none of that idea. Becoming a vociferous campaigner for its safeguarding, she was the driving force behind its renovation and ultimate salvation. In her 90's, she made it a practice to walk by the building to check on its restoration progress and was known to stop by on at least one occasion and help paint with the work crew.

There's a tree that stands in front of the town post office that was planted during the bicentennial. Gladys led a group in obtaining soil from each of the 50 states to contribute to the rooting. There are of course flowers and plants all over town that are part of her loving handiwork. Friends were often the recipients of her bulbs and her generosity of spirit. And if you did not need a flower, she was there to listen.

An informal educator long after her official retirement, Gladys was also a mentor to scouts working to earn their Eagle Scout badges. But she did not limit her efforts to young people. Indeed she was a founding member of the Chester Senior Citizens and also organized the Golden Stepper fitness program. No matter what your age, it was essential to keep moving. And Gladys rarely stopped.

What else can you say about Gladys? She was an intrepid soul, sturdy and dauntless. She valued family, community and her church. Resilient and robust, there was that delightful aspect of her that marched to her own drummer. Driving down a Chester country road late into the cooling autumn with the convertible top of her blue Camaro still down, one can only imagine her exultation. In her 80's, she was still driving a 5-speed stick shift. On her 50th wedding anniversary, she wore her original wedding gown looking as beautiful (if not more so) as a young, blushing bride. Nearing the very end of her life and in failing health, Gladys had been living for several months at the Pleasant Valley Nursing Center in Derry, when the Congregational Church in Chester held a 'Re-Membering Sunday' last September. Revisiting the church for the first time in awhile, Gladys was carefully guided to her seat by usher Penny Henderson. Walking slowly down the aisle, she took time to survey the Chester congregation, the people and the sanctuary she had loved for so many years. With a gentle smile, she whispered to Penny: "Home again... home again".



Holder of Chester's Boston Post Cane, Gladys was 96 years young when she passed. Thank you Gladys, for showing us the trees, the flowers, the sky, and the inherent strength and beauty that was (and is) Chester.

*(Written by Kathryn Young)
(Photos courtesy of Cynthia Tunberg)*

Recipients of the Boston Post Cane

John Adams Hazelton

James Buchanan

James Owen

James M. Heath

Carlos W. Noyes

Edward West

George D. Rand

Augustus P. Morse

Robert H. Hazelton

Reverend Silas N. Adams

Luther B. Lane

Joseph Rugge

William B. Healey

Arthur N. West

Walter J. Berry

William J. Bennett

Mabel Hanson Gillie

Louise W. Crawford

Violet E. Jones

Edward R. Grosvernor

Lilly Werner

Urquhart H. Chinn

Evelyn Noyes

Alice D. Renaud

Gladys T. Nicoll

Mary Miriam O'Brien



*Mary Miriam O'Brien
Chester's Current
Boston Post Cane
holder.*



Chester's Eldest Resident, Mary Miriam O'Brien was presented with the Boston Post Cane at Steven's Memorial Hall amongst family and friends on October 29, 2013. Pictured top left: Selectman LeBlanc hands the Boston Post Cane to its newest recipient. Left center captures the merriment of family and Mary's awe. Bottom left features Chairman Stephen O. Landau offering information of intrigue to Mary. Pictured below are Chester residents and Town Officials enjoying the celebration with Miriam. Our Town Clerk, Barbara L. Gagnon is seen on the far right and hosted the event. (All photos courtesy of Sharon F. DeLuca.)



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**PUBLIC NOTICE
CHESTER BOARD OF SELECTMEN
84 Chester Street
Chester, NH 03036**

Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots

Under NH RSA 674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots, you are hereby informed that any lots or parcels that were involuntarily merged prior to September 18, 2010 by a city, town, county, village district, or any other municipality, may be restored to premerger status upon the owner's request and all zoning and tax maps shall be updated to identify the premerger boundaries of said lots or parcels as recorded at the appropriate registry of deeds, provided:

1. The request is submitted to the Chester Board of Selectmen prior to December 31, 2016.
2. No owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots. If any owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots, then all subsequent owners shall be estopped from requesting restoration.

A copy of the NH RSA 674:39-aa is attached hereto and incorporated hereof as part of this Notice.

Stephen O. Landau, Chairman
Chester Board of Selectmen

TITLE LXIV PLANNING AND ZONING

CHAPTER 674 LOCAL LAND USE PLANNING AND REGULATORY POWERS

Regulation of Subdivision of Land

Section 674:39-aa

674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots. –

I. In this section:

(a) "Involuntary merger" and "involuntarily merged" mean lots merged by municipal action for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes without the consent of the owner.

(b) "Owner" means the person or entity that holds legal title to the lots in question, even if such person or entity did not hold legal title at the time of the involuntary merger.

(c) "Voluntary merger" and "voluntarily merged" mean a merger under RSA 674:39-a, or any overt action or conduct that indicates an owner regarded said lots as merged such as, but not limited to, abandoning a lot line.

II. Lots or parcels that were involuntarily merged prior to September 18, 2010 by a city, town, county, village district, or any other municipality, shall at the request of the owner, be restored to their premerger status and all zoning and tax maps shall be updated to identify the premerger boundaries of said lots or parcels as recorded at the appropriate registry of deeds, provided:

(a) The request is submitted to the governing body prior to December 31, 2016.

(b) No owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots. If any owner in the chain of title voluntarily merged his or her lots, then all subsequent owners shall be estopped from requesting restoration. The municipality shall have the burden of proof to show that any previous owner voluntarily merged his or her lots.

III. All decisions of the governing body may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of RSA 676.

IV. Any municipality may adopt local ordinances, including ordinances enacted prior to the effective date of this section, to restore previously merged properties that are less restrictive than the provisions in paragraph I and II.

V. The restoration of the lots to their premerger status shall not be deemed to cure any non-conformity with existing local land use ordinances.

VI. Municipalities shall post a notice informing residents that any involuntarily merged lots may be restored to premerger status upon the owner's request. Such notice shall be posted in a public place no later than January 1, 2012 and shall remain posted through December 31, 2016. Each municipality shall also publish the same or similar notice in its 2011 through 2015 annual reports.

Source. 2011, 206:4, eff. July 24, 2011.

Elected Town Officials

Board of Selectmen

Stephen O. Landau, Chair	2014
Jack Cannon	2015
Richard J. LeBlanc	2015
Joseph S. Castricone	2016
Joseph M. Hagan, Vice Chair	2014

Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Barbara L. Gagnon	2014
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Treasurer

Rhonda L. Lamphere	2014
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Town Moderator

Michael J. Scott	2014
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Road Agent

Michael Oleson	2015
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Trustees of the Trust Funds

Colin Costine	2015
Ephraim W. Dobbins	2016
James D. Hoffman	2014

Budget Committee

Rhonda Lamphere, Chair	2015
Chris Hadik, Vice Chair	2014
Charles Heuer	2015
Ephraim W. Dobbins	2016
Stephen D'Angelo	2014
Eric Mallet	2014
Michael A. Weider	2015
Mike Romick, <i>ex-officio</i> , School Board	
Joseph S. Castricone, <i>ex-officio</i> , Board of Selectmen	

Supervisors of the Checklist

Dianna Charron, Chair	2017
Kathy Burke	2016
Leslie Packard	2014

Library Trustees

Mary Beth Ditoro, Chair	2015
Kandace Knowlton, V. Chair	2014
Barbara Cannon, Co-Treas.	2015
Deb Munson, Co-Treasurer	2014
Renee A. Mallett, Secretary	2016

Great Hill Cemetery Trustees

John Colman, Chair	2016
Donald Brown, Treasurer	2018
Penny J. Henderson, Sec.	2017
Darrell F. Quinn	2015
Richard Noyes	2014

Village Cemetery Trustees

Aaron Mansur, Chair	2014
Geoffrey Barnett	2016
David Mark Sanborn	2015

Wilcomb Townsend Trustees

Genevieve Rowell	2014
Dianna Charron	2015
Barbara L. Dolloff	2016
Lisa Oleson	2017
Cynthia Tunberg	2018

Elected State Representatives, Rockingham County, Chester

Rockingham House District 4

Gene P. Charron	Joseph M. Hagan
James E. Devine	Stella S. Tremblay
Dudley Daniels "Dan" Dumaine	

State Senate District 23

Russell E. Prescott

Town Officials & Departments

(Alphabetically by Department)

Agricultural Commission

Gary Van Geyte, Chairman
 Chuck Myette, Treasurer
 Patrick Connelly
 Jeff Geary
 Patricia Martin, Alternate

Assessing Department

Jean Packard, Assistant Assessor
 Scott Marsh, Assessing Agent (MRI)
 Jerry Quintal, Assessing Agent (MRI)

Building Inspector/Code Enforcement

Thomas Roy

Conservation Commission

Charles Myette, Chairman
 Patrick Connelly, Treasurer
 Baron Richardson
 Philip A. Cassista
 Jeff Geary

Emergency Management Director

Philip R. Gladu

Finance Department

Joanne Smith, Finance Director
 Marianne Duffy, Bookkeeper

Fire Department Officers

Richard Antoine, Fire Chief
 Michael Willinsky, Dep. Fire Chief
 Greg Bolduc, Fire Captain
 Kevin Wunderly, Fire Captain
 Phil Gladu, Lieutenant
 Christopher Lamy, Lieutenant
 Ben Clark, Lieutenant
 Andy Wallis, Lieutenant

Fire Membership

Roman Bastek
 Eric Bellemore
 Rich Bellemore
 Thomas Cannon
 RJ Child
 Tommy Ciccarello
 Kim Duffy
 Eric Emerson
 Michael Gilbert
 Scott Haggart
 Adam Houston
 Kerri Lelievre
 Justin Lemay
 Buddy Menard
 Robert Murphy
 Scott Newnan
 John Plater
 Trevor Renaud
 Dan Ross
 Tony Rossignol
 Craig Rothermel
 Shawn Santuccio
 Michael Scott
 Matt Tinkham

Sabrina Londrigan, FD Admin. Assistant

Health Officer

Darrell F. Quinn

Heritage Commission

John Colman, Chairman
 Web Anderson
 Judy Balk
 Donald Brown
 Dean Leighton
 Richard Noyes
 Darrell F. Quinn
 Genevieve Rowell

Highway Safety Committee

Chief William Burke, Police Department
Chief Rich Antoine, Fire Department
Gene Charron, State Representative
Tony Amato, Maintenance Department
Jack Cannon, Selectman
Cynthia J. Robinson, Planning Board
Michael Oleson, Highway Department

Joint Loss Management & Safety Committee

Richard Antoine, Chairman
Anthony Amato, Vice Chairman
Patricia Martin, Secretary
William F. Burke
Barbara L. Gagnon
Richard J. LeBlanc, Selectman Liaison

Library Director

Timothy Sheehan
Diane Arrato Gavrish, Assistant Library Dir.

Maintenance Department

Anthony Amato, Supervisor
George Noyes
Alison Rochenski

Planning Board

Brian Sullivan, Chairman
Evan Sederquest, Vice Chairman
Andrew Hadik
Liz Richter
Cass Buckley
Michael A. Weider
Maureen Lein, Alternate
Richard J. LeBlanc, Ex-Officio

Cynthia J. Robinson, Planning Coordinator

Police Department

William F. Burke, Chief

Full-Time Police Officers

Aaron Berube, Lieutenant
Timothy Loveless, Patrolman
Will Sable, Patrolman/D.A.R.E.
Andrew DiPerri, Patrolman

Part-Time Police Officers

Scott Haggart, Patrolman/D.A.R.E.
Harold Gardner, Patrolman
Joe Dyrkacz, Patrolman
Robert McConn, Patrolman
Nicholas McLellan, Patrolman

Linda Pomeroy, PD Administrative Assistant

Public Access Community Television (PACT)

Joseph S. Castricone
Richard J. LeBlanc, Selectman Liaison

Recreation Commission

Ed Karjala, Chairman
Corinna Reishus, Vice Chairlady
Bill Chirgwin
Beth Swanson
Michelle Trask

Sharon F. DeLuca, Recreation Coordinator

Recycling & Solid Waste Committee

Andrew Hadik
Bonnie Healey
Lloyd Healey
Barbara King
Debra Dear
Stephen O. Landau, Selectman Liaison

Road Naming Advisory Committee

Judith Balk, Chair
Rich Antoine
Bill Burke
John Colman
Colin Costine
Melissa Folini
Maureen Lein
Gen Rowell
Michael A. Weider
Liz Richter, Planning Board Liaison
Richard J. LeBlanc, Selectman Liaison

School Superintendent, Interim

James Gaylord

Spring Hill Farm Trustees

Jeff Geary, Chairman
Brad Wamsley, Treasurer
Thomas Edwards, Public at Large
Chuck Myette, Conservation Comm. Rep.
Stephen O. Landau, Selectman Liaison

Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Barbara L. Gagnon, Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Carolyn DiPerri, Assistant Clerk
Matthew McCain, Assistant Clerk

Transfer Station

Lloyd Healey, Recycling Coordinator
Bonnie Healey, Manager
Richard Czarneck, Compactor Operator
Garry Cormier
Roger Marston
Darrell F. Quinn
Stephen O. Landau, Selectman Liaison

Wason Pond Commission

Patrick Connelly, Acting Chairman
Chuck Myette, Conservation
Bill Chirgwin, Recreation
Ed Karjala, Recreation
Stephen O. Landau, Board of Selectmen
Tom Edwards, Member at Large
Chris Hadik, Member at Large
Darrell F. Quinn, Alternate 1
Herb Rowell, Alternate 2 (Chester Seniors)

Welfare Director

Patricia Martin

Zoning Board of Adjustment

Billie Maloney, Chairperson (2015)
Robert Packard, Vice Chairperson (2014)
Charlotte Lister (2014)
Kevin Scott (2015)
Jean Methot, Alternate (2016)
Cass Buckley, Alternate/PB Rep. (2014)

Janet Boyden, Administrative Assistant

Selectmen's Report

Have you ever considered the reasons why you moved to “this little corner of the world?” What was the attraction? Was it the kitchen, the living room, the size of the garage, the school accommodations, or the view as you came into town? Most likely, it is a combination of reasons that you live in Chester, our charming, rural community where townspeople may come together and voice what their priorities are at our May Town Meeting. We encourage you to do so.

Each year, there are more challenges for the rural nature of Chester, the preservation of its character and its resident lifestyles, its history, and financial responsibilities. There is the argument for us to be like many of the larger cities or towns that have commercial or industrial development among units of subdivisions. This is readily observed in our larger, neighbor towns, such as Derry or Raymond, that have main streets that bustle with a beehive of commercial activities, especially on weekends. Over the years that I have resided in Chester, I have listened to the repeated debate that we do not have a commercial basis which would, according to some, reduce our taxes. However, over the years, the people of Chester have voiced opposition to this type of growth.

As I drive through our Town, I see throughout our community a myriad of farms and small businesses. Many of us travel or have traveled outside of our Town borders to earn a living and then have the privilege, as I see it, to come back to a tranquil setting to relax and to unwind. A minority use their residence for more than one purpose; both to live and to earn a living. Some with great success; others just barely, but still they persist. Farms and agricultural endeavors dot the landscape in almost every corner of our Town. From plant nurseries, to equine facilities, to large and small farm stands, orchards/tree farms, dairy farms, maple sugar shacks and saw mills of native lumber. Intertwined in all of this is protected land, such as Conservation Easement, Current Use and, of course, Town-owned properties. Over the years, several of our citizenry had the foresight to advocate for the protection of certain strategic parcels that would benefit the Town in the future. They heeded the words of an old, popular song by Joni Mitchell: “They paved paradise, and put up a parking lot.”

One such young-at-heart lady was our recently departed Boston Post Cane recipient, Gladys Nicoll. She created an atmosphere of community spirit during her lifetime, and we intend to honor that spirit by naming the conservation area in the center of Town in her memory. Almost singlehandedly, Gladys convinced the townspeople that this valuable piece of property -

- in the center of our Town,
- in vicinity to our new school, and
- older than any of our “National Register” properties that dot the four corners at our only traffic light in Town -

be preserved in perpetuity for the multitudes of generations to be able to see that not only are our edifices important, but also the simple joys and creations of nature have lasting value. During our numerous discussions, I learned to realize how Gladys could reshape our thinking and awareness by sharing her appreciations of nature and for those simple encounters in life that many of us might consider insignificant. When Gladys looked at something with us, we, too, found beauty and interest. An old building in Chester, a budding tree, a flower bed with a small stone memorial, a wooden sign, a stone wall, even an old outhouse; nothing was insignificant to her eye in her mind; and no one could ask her a question for which she would not spend time to try to find an answer. Truly, we will miss this wonderful lady who has left us her passions in and for Chester.

Now, we also need to think about what legacies we would like to leave. As your Board of Selectmen, we are well aware of the tightness of our Town's budget as well as our personal household budgets. In this present Warrant, we have struggled with items to be presented. We have taken the approach that we would like to be seen as leaders and administrators of the town form of government in which, you, the voters, tell us what is highest in your priorities, and NOT that we need to dictate only our choices of priority. Please understand that we will do our best no matter what the majority chooses.

For many years, our Road Agent has asked for funds for road repairs or proper equipment. Over the years, we have purchased some used pieces of equipment, have received some donations, and have bought a few, small vehicles. Now, we are at a crossroad where we need to decide on whether to own or to hire. The Road Agent has presented a truck, dictated by State bid (the State's best price for that size vehicle), for us to purchase. This would be a brand new vehicle, equipped for plowing in winter and for road repairs the rest of the year. Our present, senior vehicle is approaching the ten-year age and has been repaired numerous times. Just recently, an inspection was completed, and we spent six hundred dollars extra for it to pass. We plan on using it as long as we do not have major issues.

Also, we have brought forth two Articles that will clean up material left over from the prior road bond that was stored near the salt shed. In reference to the first Article (#10), we plan to use this material on Town-owned property for proper fill.

The second Article (#11) will allow the building of two storage bays at the Salt Shed. The first will house the snow removal equipment, sanders, plows, etc. The second will be enclosed and have the potential for heat. It will be large enough to house the new truck without removing the snow equipment in the winter. This is not something that can be easily accomplished in our present Highway Garage on Chester Street. The long range plan is to consolidate our Highway Department activities on the Dump Road Salt Shed site. When we do this, is up to you, the voters.

One Warrant Article may be tabled based upon the approval of the budget. The Selectmen believe that a new police cruiser is needed this year. Because we have seen police cruisers pass each time at Town Meeting, we decided to place this item in the budget. Our purpose is to limit the number of Warrant Articles due to the observation that the number of voters tends to decrease as the length of the Town Meeting increases. We will administer the Town any way that the voters decide. What we are looking for is your preference as to whether you would like to see a Warrant Article for the police cruiser or to simply request this item within the budget. As a Warrant Article it is a defined purpose subject to the 10% rule which is the maximum allowable increase to the Budget Committee's recommended budget.

The same is true for the Fire Truck Warrant Article. This next year will be our last lease payment on our newest fire vehicle. The Fire Chief has suggested that we start looking for a new tanker truck. Our present tanker is twenty-three (23) years old with a tank capacity of 2,500 gallons of water. Its capability of pumping water directly into our first responding Quint is lessened by the size of the pump. Our Quint's carrying capacity is 300 gallons, pumping 1800 gallons per minute and our present tanker can only pump 500 gallons per minute. A new tanker will be able to carry 3,000 (three thousand) gallons of water with a pumping capacity of 1,250 gallons per minute.

These are our minimum specifications, and we believe it will take time to build this vehicle. The Chief proposed this Article for replacement to have no monetary tax affect this next year because the first payment would be due in the 2015/2016 Fiscal Year. The belief is that this will cause no spike in taxes for our Fire Department Budget; and if we take a ten (10) year lease, we should not need to replace any of our first-line equipment for at least that long, if not longer.

As Selectmen, we are involved in all aspects of our Town. For years, questions have arisen concerning the Town-owned property known as Spring Hill Farm. Approximately fifteen years ago, a long-time resident and former school teacher, Miss Muriel Church, came to an agreement with the Town. After many years of scrimping and saving, raising State foster children, teaching in our elementary school, and operating her farm, Miss Church approached the Town and offered to sell her property (400 acres of prime land) in order to help preserve the rural character of our Town and to promote the atmosphere that we enjoy. The request of Miss Church, in this agreement, was that the farm operation be maintained by a group of Trustees. The question that has arisen repeatedly is in the interpretation of the agreement as to the use of the funds that she left, or designated to be used, and how the funds were to be expended.

Article #15 requests the Town to place these town-owned buildings at Spring Hill Farm into the Town's general building maintenance program. If passed, the Town's operating budget for this next year has no funds designated for these buildings. Therefore, unless an emergency occurs, we will not expend funds for these buildings. The goal of the Trustees is to create a Charitable Trust for Spring Hill Farm. This will allow them to receive gifts and donations that the donors will be able to claim on the filing of their Federal Income Tax. It is my belief that the residence will be the only building that we, the Town, will need to take care of since the other buildings are associated with the farm operation.

Article #16 deals with the Spring Hill Farm residence for this year. As previously mentioned, there are no funds in this year's budget for Spring Hill Farm; and, therefore, if funds are expended, they must be appropriated through Town Meeting by a vote of those attending. The Trustees are applying for energy grants to assist in any of this work, and those grants will be used to offset the work.

Article #17 will allow us to put a few more dollars (\$20,000) into the Fund created to remove the underground oil tank at the Municipal Building and, possibly, to expand the parking area. When we discontinue the use of the underground oil tank, we have to determine if we will continue to use oil or convert to another form of energy to heat the Municipal Building.

Article #18 deals with a problem discussed at the 2012 Town Meeting. We have a one-thousand dollar (\$1,000) deductible on our liability insurance policy for any damage. Since inception in 2012, we have had three claims for lightning damage to Stevens Hall, the Ruth Ray Building (Post Office) and Highway Garage. Our insurance company charged each incident as a separate incident. The original warrant was for ten thousand dollars, and we do not anticipate requesting more than that for this fund. We would like to bring this back to its original amount, with no expenditure expected unless we have a claim.

Article #19 deals with the "Master Plan," a tool used by all of our Land Use Boards to guide the growth and expenditures of our Town. This Plan is required to be current as per the State R.S.A. (State Statutes) and usually requires the help of specialists (planners) in this field.

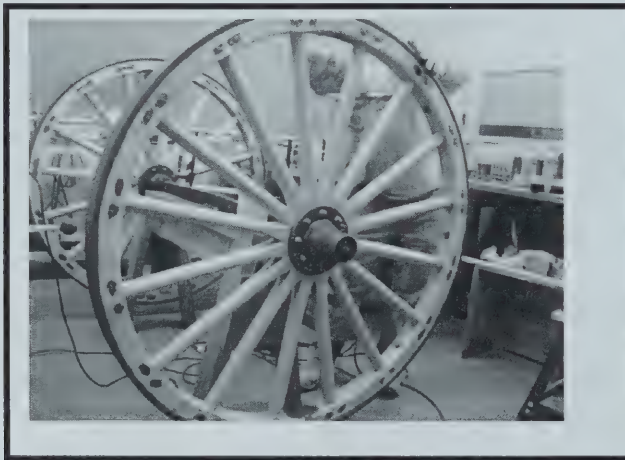
And while we are on the subject, these Land Use Boards work with volunteer help on our behalf. If you have time, inclination or the curiosity as to what they do, or why they do what it is required, please feel free to become involved. We govern this Town primarily with volunteer help, as has been done for almost three hundred (300) years. We have specialists available to us, to help us through the more technical issues, but this is YOUR town. Please feel free to come to Town Meeting, voice your opinion, and vote as you see fit. Your property tax bill is determined by what you think is important. Those of us who study government have always agreed that Town Meeting forms of government are the fairest and allow all to voice their opinion. I, for one, will tell you, I want your opinion and want you to tell us "what is important" to you. I know what my budget can afford; I need to know what your priorities are in order to satisfy what your budget can afford.

Thank you for all you have done and in advance for all we ask of you.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen O. Landau

Stephen O. Landau, Chairman



*Pictured Above:
Volunteer Don Brown at work painting the cannon
wheels as the final step in the restoration project
taken up by Chester citizens invested in preserving
our history. (photos courtesy of Jackie Brown)*

2014-2015 Proposed Warrant & Budget

State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Chester, County of Rockingham, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Chester Municipal Offices in said Chester on Tuesday, the thirteenth (13th) day of May next, at 7:00 AM to act on Articles 1 through 4. The polls will close at 7:00 PM. After the ballots are counted, the Meeting will continue on Saturday, May seventeenth (17th) at 9:00 AM in the Chester Multipurpose Room. Article 5 through Article 28 will be taken up at that time.

Article #1

To choose all necessary Town Officials for the ensuing year.

Article #2

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #1** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend: Section 5.7 Wetlands Conservation District: Delete in its entirety Subsection 5.7.8 "Special Exception for Nonconforming Lots" and move the deleted text to Subsection 5.3.3.7 under "Special Exception Uses", and renumber subsequent subsections of Section 5.7?

Amend: Delete from the current Subsection 5.3.3.7 the words "...under Subsection 5.7.8," rename as Subsection 5.3.3.7 "Nonconforming Lots"?

Article #3

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #2** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend: Section 6.3 – Applicability – Amend section by adding a reference to "Table 1 Dimensional and Area Requirements."

Article #4

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #3** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend: Section 11.5 – Expiration of Special Exception and Variance – Amend section by changing current expiration date of one (1) year to two (2) years, as required to comply with N.H. R.S.A. 674:33, I-a, so that Section 11.5 reads as follows:

“11.5 Expiration of Special Exception and Variance – After a permit has been authorized by the Board of Adjustment as a result of a request for a Special Exception or Variance, and if such permit has not been implemented with two (2) years of the date of such authorization, then such authorization shall become null and void and no permit shall be issued thereafter. The Board of Adjustment, at the Applicant’s request, may grant a single, twelve (12) month extension.”

Article #5

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended amount of \$3,990,424 for the operating budget for the support of Town government for the payment of salaries and for the payment of statutory obligations of the Town. Tally Vote – 6 yes/1 no. The Board of Selectmen recommends \$4,134,691 by Tally Vote - 5 yes/0 no.

This article does not include appropriations voted in other warrant articles.

	<u>BOS</u>	<u>BC</u>
General Government	\$1,647,222	\$1,621,253
Public Safety	\$ 949,295	\$ 907,296
Highways, Streets, Bridges	\$ 683,600	\$ 605,601
Sanitation	\$ 165,216	\$ 165,216
Health & Welfare	\$ 52,012	\$ 52,012
Culture & Recreation	\$ 241,229	\$ 242,929
Conservation & Eco. Dev.	\$ 2,205	\$ 2,205
Debt Service	\$ 393,912	\$ 393,912
Total Appropriation	\$ 4,134,691	\$3,990,424

Article #6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Three hundred, fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) to purchase asphalt and to improve, repair and maintain roads in the Town of Chester and to withdraw Three hundred, fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) from the Capital Improvements Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose.

Tax Impact: \$0.00

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –4 yes/1 no

Tally Vote – 6 yes/1 no

Article #7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) to purchase asphalt and to improve, repair and maintain roads in the Town of Chester.

Tax Impact: \$.42

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –5 yes/0 no

Tally Vote –1yes/6 no

Article #8

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five year lease/purchase agreement for the sum of One hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$185,000) for the purpose of lease/purchasing a plow truck for the highway department and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-eight thousand dollars (\$38,000) which includes principal and interest for the first year's payment for that purpose. The lease agreement contains an escape clause.

Tax Impact: \$.08 payment each year

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –5 yes/0 no

Tally Vote –4 yes/3 no

Article #9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000) to be added to the Winter Road Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund established in 2006 for the purpose of sanding, salting and plowing in the Town of Chester. The Winter Expendable Trust Fund shall not exceed eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000).

Tax Impact: \$.18

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –5 yes/0 no

Tally Vote –7 yes/0 no

Article #10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) to begin removal of the debris from the grounds around the Town salt shed and to designate Sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) of NH State Block Grant to offset this project. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the debris is removed or by June 30, 2019, whichever is sooner.

Tax Impact: \$0.00

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –5 yes/0 no

Tally Vote –4 yes/3 no

Article #11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000) for the purpose of constructing two bays at the salt shed, one bay to house Town equipment and one bay for storage of sanders and plows and to designate Fifty-four thousand, seven hundred sixty-one dollars (\$54,761) of NH State Block Grant to offset this project. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the two buildings are completed or by June 30, 2019, whichever is sooner.

Tax Impact: \$.06

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –5 yes/0 no

Tally Vote –3 yes/4 no

Article #12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Forty-two thousand dollars (\$42,000) for the purpose of purchasing a Police vehicle.

Note: this article to be passed over should the Police Vehicle be included in the Operating Budget.

Tax Impact: \$.08

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote –5 yes/0 no

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –5 yes/2 no

Special Article #13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of purchasing communications equipment for the Police Department and to withdraw Ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) from the Police Detail Special Revenue Fund.

Tax Impact: \$.0.00

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote –5 yes/0 no

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –7 yes/0 no

Article #14

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be deposited into the existing Equipment and Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund established in 2008 to purchase police cruisers.

Tax Impact: \$.02

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote –5 yes/0 no

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –7 yes/0 no

Article #15

To see if the Town will vote to place the buildings located on the town owned property known as Spring Hill Farm into the Town's general building maintenance

budget to provide funding for unanticipated repairs, maintenance and expenses as the Selectmen shall agree.

Not Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote –2 yes/2 no/1abstain

Article #16

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) for the purpose of installing blown-in insulation, siding repair/replacement and painting for the farmhouse located at Spring Hill Farm, 96 Towle Road, Chester, NH and to allow the Selectmen to accept any grants and donations towards this project.

Tax Impact: \$.03

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote –3 yes/1 no/1abstain

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –3 yes/3 no/1abstain

Article #17

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be added to the capital reserve fund known as Building Improvement and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund established at the 2008 Town Meeting (Warrant Article #18 as amended).

Tax Impact: \$.04

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote –5 yes/0 no

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –1 yes/6 no

Article #18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be added to the capital reserve fund known as Town Unanticipated Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund established at the 2012 Town Meeting.

Tax Impact: \$.01

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote –5 yes/0 no

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –1 yes/6 no

Special Article #19

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be used by the Planning Board for a comprehensive update to the Town of Chester Master Plan per RSA 674:1, I. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the Master Plan is complete or by June 30, 2019, whichever is sooner.

Tax Impact: \$.10

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –5 yes/0 no

Tally Vote –6 yes/0 no/1 abstain

Article #20

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the Town Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established in 2009 in order to prepare for the next Town revaluation in 2016.

Tax Impact: \$.03

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –4 yes/1 abstain

Tally Vote –7 yes/0 no

Article #21

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a Ten (10) Year lease/purchase agreement for Three hundred, seventy thousand dollars (\$370,000) for the purpose of purchasing and equipping a 3000 gallon tanker truck for the Chester Fire Department. There will be no payment in 2014. The first payment of forty-two thousand, three hundred eighty-four dollars (\$42,384) will be made in 2015. The lease/purchase agreement contains an escape clause.

Tax Impact: \$.09 First year payment in 2015

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –3 yes/2 no

Tally Vote –2 yes/4 no/1 abstain

Article #22

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be added to the capital reserve fund known as the 300th Anniversary Celebration Capital Reserve Fund established at the 2013 Town Meeting.

Tax Impact: \$.01

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote –5 yes/0 no

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –7 yes/0 no

Special Article #23

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) for the purpose of providing public, educational, and governmental access television in the Town of Chester. Said funds to be withdrawn from the Special Revenue Fund established as the “PACT” Fund (Warrant Article # 28, 2003), separate from the General Fund. If passed, this will have no tax impact.

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote –3 yes/2 abstain

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –2 yes/2 no/3 abstain

Article #24

Shall the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a five-year lease with the United States Postal Service for 1862 square feet on the first floor of the Ruth Ray Building with appropriate curtilage on such terms and conditions as the Selectmen determine are in the best interests of the Town.

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote –5 yes/0 no

Petition Article #25

By petition of 25 or more eligible voters of the town of Chester, NH to see if the town will urge:

That the New Hampshire State Legislature join nearly 500 municipalities and 16 other states, including all other New England states, in calling upon Congress to move forward a constitutional amendment that: 1) guarantees the right of our

elected representatives and of the American people to safeguard fair elections through authority to regulate political spending, and 2) clarifies that constitutional rights were established for people, not corporations.

That the New Hampshire Congressional delegation support such a constitutional amendment.

That the New Hampshire State Legislature support such an amendment once it is approved by Congress and sent to the State for ratification.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Chester's congressional delegation, and to Chester's state legislators, and to the President of the United States informing them of the instructions from their constituents by the Board of Selectmen within 30 days of the vote.

Petition Article #26

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, by simple majority, to hire a qualified full-time Town Administrator to serve as the chief administrative officer of the town. The Town Administrator will report directly to the Board of Selectmen and oversee the management and implementation of policies and procedures, and the administration of all town affairs pursuant to the directives of a simple majority of the Board of Selectmen. The Town Administrator will be responsible for identifying town requirements for capital improvements, building maintenance and repair, equipment maintenance repair and replacement needs as directed by the Board of Selectmen. The Town Administrator will provide other services, duties and responsibilities to be described in a job description created by the Board of Selectmen. The advertising and preliminary review of resumes and candidates for this position shall be done by a search committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen and shall be made up of one full-time town employee, three residents at large, and one contracted professional from Municipal Resources, Inc. or equivalent agency. Volunteers for the search committee must submit their interest to the Selectmen in writing no later than June 1, 2014. The Selectmen shall fill the volunteer positions on the search committee no later than June 30, 2014. The search committee will provide the Selectmen with a list of three candidates for the position no later than October 30, 2014. The Town Administrator would be hired on or about January 1, 2015. And further to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate fifty-eight thousand, two hundred and forty-one dollars (\$58,241) for the payment of the first years' salary and benefits. All salary negotiations will be done by the Selectmen.

	<u>1st year (6 months)</u>	<u>Full Year (12 months)</u>
Salary	\$37,500	\$ 75,000
Benefits	<u>\$20,741</u>	<u>\$ 41,482</u>
	\$58,241	\$116,482

Tax Impact: \$.12

Not Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote –1 yes/3 no/1absent

Tally Vote –6 yes/0 no/1abstain

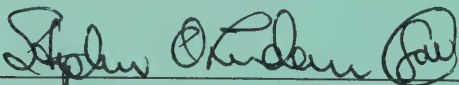
Article #27

To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, and Committees of Officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

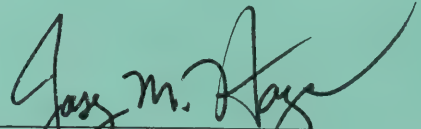
Article #28

To transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

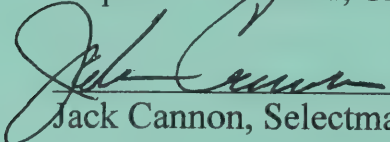
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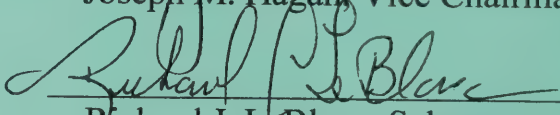
Stephen O. Landau, Chairman



Joseph M. Hagan, Vice Chairman



Jack Cannon, Selectman



Richard J. LeBlanc, Selectman



Joseph S. Castricone, Selectman

Date: April 22, 2014

**Town of Chester
Budgeted Revenues Summary**

	FY 12/13 BOS Budgeted	FY 12/13 BC Budgeted	FY13/14 BOS Budgeted	FY 13/14 BC Budgeted	FY 14/15 BOS Budgeted	FY 14/15 BC Budgeted
Land Use Change Taxes	-	-	0	-	-	-
Yield Taxes	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Excavation Tax	500	500	500	500	500	500
Penalties and Interest	40,000	40,000	43,000	43,000	44,000	44,000
Business Licenses and Permits	700	700	700	700	700	700
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	759,600	759,600	759,600	759,600	850,000	850,000
Heating Permits	5,200	5,200	5,700	5,700	6,000	6,000
Building Permits	50,000	50,000	65,650	65,650	66,150	66,150
Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	15,500	15,500	9,300	16,000	9,300	9,300
Revenue From State of NH	370,391	332,370	333,044	330,889	333,044	333,044
Revenue From Charges For Services	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	84,715	84,715
Revenue From Miscellaneous Sources	131,853	88,090	340,466	241,607	360,000	360,000
Other Financing Sources	90,522	7,881	7,881	7,881	45,000	45,000
Total Anticipated Revenues	1,509,266	1,344,841	1,610,841	1,516,527	1,804,409	1,804,409

note: FY 13/14 BOS amended per audited MS4 at tax rate setting.

**Town of Chester
Anticipated Revenues**

	FY 12/13 BOS Budgeted	FY 12/13 BC Budgeted	FY13/14 BOS Budgeted	FY 13/14 BC Budgeted	FY 14/15 BOS Budgeted	FY 14/15 BC Budgeted
Yield Taxes	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Excavation Tax	500	500	500	500	500	500
Penalties and Interest	24,000	24,000	24,000	24,000	24,000	24,000
Late Inventory Penalty	16,000	16,000	19,000	19,000	20,000	20,000
Due to Interware/On-Line	500	500	0	0	0	0
UCC Filing Fees	700	700	700	700	700	700
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	759,600	759,600	759,600	759,600	850,000	850,000
Fire Dept Heating Permits	5,200	5,200	5,200	5,200	6,000	6,000
Fire Dept - Permits/Fines	500	500	500	500	500	500
Building Permits	41,420	41,420	48,100	48,100	48,100	48,100
Building Permits - Electrical	2,900	2,900	3,900	3,900	3,900	3,900
Building Permits - Septic	5,200	5,200	1,950	1,950	1,950	1,950
Building Permits - Plumbing & Heating	300	300	1,950	1,950	1,950	1,950
Building Permits - Driveways	0	0	2,600	2,600	2,600	2,600
Building Permits - Masonry	0	0	650	650	650	650
Building Permits - Home Occupation	180	180	0	0	0	0
Building Permits - Misc.	0	0	5,850	5,850	5,850	5,850
Building Permits - Mechanical	0	0	650	650	650	650
Dog Licenses	8,000	8,000	6,000	7,000	6,000	6,000
Marriage Licenses			400	400	400	400
Certificates - Birth & Death			300	300	300	300
Pistol Permits	500	500	600	600	600	600
Other Licenses & Permits	6,000	6,000	2,000	6,000	2,000	2,000
Town Fair Donations	0	0	1,700	1,700	0	0
Hazard Mitigation Grant	29,958	0	0	0	0	0
NH Highway Block Grant	118,357	119,375	119,761	118,357	119,761	119,761
State Rooms and Meals Tax	212,466	212,995	213,283	212,432	213,283	213,283
FD Grant - State of NH	39,568	0	0	0	0	0
Other State Revenue - Misc.	0	0	100	100	100	100
Insurance Report Fees	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
State Witness Fees/Court Fines	100	100	100	100	100	100
Planning Board Applications	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Zoning Board Fees	2,550	2,550	2,550	2,550	2,550	2,550
Landfill Tire Fees	850	850	850	850	400	400
Recycling - Aluminum	3,100	3,100	3,100	3,100	2,700	2,700
Recycling - Scrap Metal	7,700	7,700	6,700	7,700	9,750	9,750
Recycling - Paper/Magazine	4,600	4,600	3,600	4,600	4,570	4,570
Recycling - Mixed Cans	0	0	0	0	750	750
Recycling - Appliances	1,550	1,550	1,550	1,550	1,100	1,100
Recycling - Propane Tanks	800	800	800	800	25	25
Recycling - Batteries	400	400	400	400	300	300
Transfer Station - TV/Computers	0	0	0	0	900	900
Ambulance Transport Fees	12,000	12,000	10,300	12,000	10,000	10,000
Rents Long Term Use - Tower	15,180	15,180	15,180	15,180	15,180	15,180
Rents - Post Office	21,000	21,000	21,000	21,000	21,000	21,000
Rents - Kitchen	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
Rents - Wason Cottage	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Insurance Reimbursement	40,460	40,460	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Miscellaneous Revenue - all others	900	900	3,659	2,100	3,640	3,640
Interest on Investments	4,800	4,800	4,000	5,300	250	250
Return Check Fees	700	700	500	0	500	500
Cemetery Maint. Cap Reserve	1,000	1,000	4,700	4,700	0	0
Welfare Lien	500	500	0	0	0	0
Vending Machine	400	400	400	400	400	400
Public Access Television	7,881	7,881	7,881	7,881	45,000	45,000
From Capital Reserve-Police Cruiser	13,805	0	20,250	20,250	0	0
From Capital Reserve			8,527	8,527	360,000	360,000
Undesignated Fund Balance	82,641	0	260,000	160,000	0	0
Total Anticipated Revenue	1,509,266	1,344,841	1,610,841	1,516,527	1,804,409	1,804,409

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Town of Chester
Actual and Budget Expenditures
Summary

	FY 12/13	FY 13/14	FY 14/15	FY 14/15	BC %
	Actual	Budget	BOS	BC	Increase
			Requested	Requested	(Decrease)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
Executive	35,620	45,063	78,964	76,652	
Administrative	67,853	71,678	65,458	65,458	
Town Clerk	48,063	55,775	49,351	49,351	
Election	14,265	12,277	15,424	15,424	
Financial	112,340	145,780	130,943	130,943	
Budget Committee	578	1,401	1,677	1,677	
Tax Collector	42,784	47,130	49,092	49,092	
Treasurer	3,420	8,100	8,750	8,750	
Trustees of Trust Funds	-	1,400	1,400	1,400	
Information Technology	-	-	48,096	48,096	
Assessor	65,824	73,951	66,176	66,176	
Legal	74,859	75,000	75,000	75,000	
Benefits	459,132	507,177	592,919	573,386	
Planning	44,960	52,502	54,149	50,025	
Zoning	12,412	12,899	14,578	14,578	
Buildings	232,627	258,821	259,938	259,938	
Stevens Hall	10,097	9,114	9,368	9,368	
Cemetery	21,506	31,920	30,229	30,229	
Insurance	67,608	71,980	88,422	88,422	
Advertising & Regional Dev.	6,417	6,627	7,288	7,288	
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1,320,365	1,488,595	1,647,222	1,621,253	8.9%
PUBLIC SAFETY					
Police Dept.	441,132	483,686	524,256	482,257	
Police Grants	-	-	3	3	
Ambulance	52,093	54,442	93,916	93,916	
Fire Department	284,566	287,020	263,663	263,663	
Forest Fire	2,561	3,001	3,001	3,001	
Fire Grants	1,133	-	3	3	
Ambulance Billing	1,686	1,500	1,500	1,500	
Building Inspection	49,915	53,922	53,452	53,452	
Emergency	9,888	9,500	9,501	9,501	
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY	842,974	893,071	949,295	907,296	1.6%
HIGHWAYS & STREETS					
Highway	559,922	631,083	679,100	601,101	
Street Lighting	4,166	3,700	4,500	4,500	
TOTAL HIGHWAYS & STREETS	564,088	634,783	683,600	605,601	-4.6%

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	FY 12/13 Actual	FY 13/14 Budget	FY 14/15 BOS Requested	FY 14/15 BC Requested	BC % Increase (Decrease)
SANITATION					
Transfer Station	157,667	145,569	152,216	152,216	
Landfill	11,617	13,000	13,000	13,000	
TOTAL SANITATION	169,284	158,569	165,216	165,216	4.2%
HEALTH & WELFARE					
Animal Control	-	1	1,000	1,000	
Health Agencies	22,000	25,419	26,600	26,600	
General Assistance	12,658	21,975	20,050	20,050	
Welfare-Intergovernment	4,339	4,339	4,362	4,362	
TOTAL HEALTH & WELFARE	38,997	51,734	52,012	52,012	0.5%
CULTURE & RECREATION					
Recreation	46,642	54,649	52,290	52,290	
Wason Pond	5,707	10,682	10,983	10,983	
WP Caretaker Cottage	773	1,200	1,200	1,200	
WP Bath House	140	3,200	300	300	
WP Commission	-	754	954	954	
Library	111,288	133,660	157,000	158,700	
Patriotic	348	3,200	1,500	1,500	
Historical Society	462	-	1	1	
CTV21	1,124	-	-	-	
Chester Senior Citizens	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	
Spring Hill Farm	-	1	1	1	
Town Fair	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION	183,484	224,346	241,229	242,929	8.3%
CONSERVATION					
Agricultural Commission	-	1,050	1,050	1,050	
Conservation Commission	1,720	1,320	1,155	1,155	
TOTAL CONSERVATION	1,720	2,370	2,205	2,205	-7.0%
DEBT SERVICE					
Principal	355,227	354,301	367,222	367,222	
Interest	52,027	39,086	26,690	26,690	
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	407,254	393,387	393,912	393,912	0.1%
 TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	 3,528,166	 3,846,855	 4,134,691	 3,990,424	 3.7%

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE						
01-4130-1-110	5,013	10,000	10,000	0.00%	10,000	0.00%
EX Contract- Minutes						
EX Salaries-Minutes	2,869	2,200	2,371	7.77%	2,371	7.77%
EX Salaries	11,550	11,550	11,550	0.00%	11,550	0.00%
EX Telephone	546	500	550	10.00%	550	10.00%
EX Dues/Subscriptions	973	500	1,000	100.00%	1,000	100.00%
EX Postage	361	350	375	7.14%	375	7.14%
EX Mileage	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
EX Advertising	1,545	1,800	1,800	0.00%	1,800	0.00%
EX Miscellaneous	4,617	6,000	6,000	0.00%	6,000	0.00%
EX Town Web Page	474	200	200	0.00%	200	0.00%
EX Beaver Creek	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
EX NPDES (Stormwater Mgmt)	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
EX Security	7,672	3,000	5,000	66.67%	5,000	66.67%
EX Salary Pool	0	32,078	40,115	25.05%	37,803	17.85%
Total Executive Office	35,620	68,181	78,964	15.82%	76,652	12.42%
ADMINISTRATION						
01-4130-2-110	40,968	41,558	42,598	2.50%	42,598	2.50%
TA Salary FT						
TA Contract. Adm. Asst.	1,911	2,800	2,800	0.00%	2,800	0.00%
TA Grant Administration	2,205	3,500	2,400	-31.43%	2,400	-31.43%
TA Telephone	1,383	1,600	1,400	-12.50%	1,400	-12.50%
TA Copier Lease (<i>moved to IT</i>)	4,222	5,000	0	-100.00%	0	-100.00%
TA Dues & Subscrip	30	35	35	0.00%	35	0.00%
TA Office Supplies	2,393	2,200	2,200	0.00%	2,200	0.00%
TA Postage	2,845	1,515	2,850	88.12%	2,850	88.12%
TA Postage Meter Rental (<i>IT</i>)	1,159	1,210	0	-100.00%	0	-100.00%
TA Mileage	188	200	200	0.00%	200	0.00%
TA Vending Machines	522	850	575	-32.35%	575	-32.35%
TA Miscellaneous	703	450	550	22.22%	550	22.22%
TA Office Equipment	1,590	2,150	2,000	-6.98%	2,000	-6.98%
TA Town Report	7,600	7,000	7,500	7.14%	7,500	7.14%
TA Training	119	800	300	-62.50%	300	-62.50%
TA Books & Periodicals	16	50	50	0.00%	50	0.00%
Total Administration	67,854	70,918	65,458	-7.70%	65,458	-7.70%

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TOWN CLERK						
01-4140-1-110	5,295	7,612	9,730	27.82%	9,730	27.82%
01-4140-1-130	29,205	28,323	29,852	5.40%	29,852	5.40%
01-4140-1-314	3,069	3,069	0		0	
01-4140-1-320	1,043	1,300	1,200	-7.69%	1,200	-7.69%
01-4140-1-341	1,600	2,200	2,200	0.00%	2,200	0.00%
01-4140-1-430	0	200	200	0.00%	200	0.00%
01-4140-1-560	58	100	60	-40.00%	60	-40.00%
01-4140-1-561	0	75	100	33.33%	100	33.33%
01-4140-1-570	423	450	450	0.00%	450	0.00%
01-4140-1-620	699	800	800	0.00%	800	0.00%
01-4140-1-621	453	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%
01-4140-1-625	2,061	2,400	2,400	0.00%	2,400	0.00%
01-4140-1-650	30	60	60	0.00%	60	0.00%
01-4140-1-670	0	25	25	0.00%	25	0.00%
01-4140-1-741	1,550	850	850	0.00%	850	0.00%
01-4140-1-742	0	850	0	-100.00%	0	-100.00%
01-4140-1-743	2,064	3,713	0	-100.00%	0	-100.00%
01-4140-1-744	513	513	624	21.64%	624	21.64%
01-4140-1-750	0	275	300	9.09%	300	9.09%
01-4140-1-800	0	1,200	0		0	
Total Town Clerk	48,063	54,515	49,351	-9.47%	49,351	-9.47%
ELECTION						
01-4140-2-110	3,402	1,200	3,300	175.00%	3,300	175.00%
01-4140-2-130	4,318	3,700	5,500	48.65%	5,500	48.65%
01-4140-2-131	400	400	400	0.00%	400	0.00%
01-4140-2-132	500	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%
01-4140-2-341	613	600	624	4.00%	624	4.00%
01-4140-2-520	144	600	400	-33.33%	400	-33.33%
01-4140-2-620	134	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%
01-4140-2-625	58	50	100	100.00%	100	100.00%
01-4140-2-640	1,109	400	1,400	250.00%	1,400	250.00%
01-4140-2-675	0	0	0		0	
01-4140-2-740	1,316	2,700	0	-100.00%	0	-100.00%
01-4140-2-741	2,271	1,400	2,700	92.86%	2,700	92.86%
Total Election	14,265	12,050	15,424	28.00%	15,424	28.00%

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FINANCE						
01-4150-1-120	23,870	39,895	41,143	3.13%	41,143	3.13%
01-4150-1-150	55,608	67,600	67,600	0.00%	67,600	0.00%
01-4150-1-314	12,007	14,425	0		0	
01-4150-1-341	1,577	1,350	1,350	0.00%	1,350	0.00%
01-4150-1-430	210	200	200	0.00%	200	0.00%
01-4150-1-431	448	200	300	50.00%	300	50.00%
01-4150-1-560	50	50	50	0.00%	50	0.00%
01-4150-1-620	1,398	2,000	2,000	0.00%	2,000	0.00%
01-4150-1-625	672	1,250	1,250	0.00%	1,250	0.00%
01-4150-1-645	0	200	200	0.00%	200	0.00%
01-4150-1-670	0	100	100	0.00%	100	0.00%
01-4150-2-301	16,500	16,500	16,500	0.00%	16,500	0.00%
01-4150-2-320	0	1,000	0		0	
01-4150-2-560	0	250	250	0.00%	250	0.00%
Total Finance	112,340	145,020	130,943	-9.71%	130,943	-9.71%
BUDGET COMMITTEE						
01-4150-3-560	0	150	150	0.00%	150	0.00%
01-4150-3-621	118	72	75	4.17%	75	4.17%
01-4150-3-625	0	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4150-3-650	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4150-3-670	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4150-3-680	180	176	300	70.45%	300	70.45%
01-4150-3-675	0	0	120		120	
01-4150-3-690	280	1	30	2900.00%	30	2900.00%
Total Budget Committee	578	1,401	1,677	19.70%	1,677	19.70%
TAX COLLECTOR						
01-4150-4-110	5,294	7,612	9,730	27.82%	9,730	27.82%
01-4150-4-130	29,205	28,323	29,852	5.40%	29,852	5.40%
01-4150-4-341	648	600	600	0.00%	600	0.00%
01-4150-4-560	58	30	30	0.00%	30	0.00%
01-4150-4-561	0	75	75	0.00%	75	0.00%
01-4150-4-610	598	650	650	0.00%	650	0.00%
01-4150-4-625	2,816	3,200	3,200	0.00%	3,200	0.00%
01-4150-4-650	0	30	30	0.00%	30	0.00%
01-4150-4-651	428	600	600	0.00%	600	0.00%

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01-4150-4-670	0	25	25	0.00%	25	0.00%
TX Books & Periodicals						
01-4150-4-725	1,347	2,100	2,100	0.00%	2,100	0.00%
TX Tax Lien Search						
01-4150-4-730	1,380	1,700	1,700	0.00%	1,700	0.00%
TX Tax Bill Preparation						
01-4150-4-741	1,010	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%
TX Equipment & Repair						
01-4150-4-742	0	425				
TX Computer Support (IT)						
Total Tax Collector	42,784	45,870	49,092	7.02%	49,092	7.02%
TREASURER						
01-4150-5-130	3,000	6,000	6,000	0.00%	6,000	0.00%
T Salaries						
01-4150-5-340	273	150	1,800	1100.00%	1,800	1100.00%
T Bank Services						
01-4150-6-314	0	1,500	500	-66.67%	500	-66.67%
T Bank Software						
01-4150-6-560	25	150	150	0.00%	150	0.00%
T Dues/Subscriptions/Seminars						
01-4150-6-621	99	200	200	0.00%	200	0.00%
T Supplies						
01-4150-6-621	23	75	75	0.00%	75	0.00%
T Mileage						
01-4150-6-650	0	25	25	0.00%	25	0.00%
T Miscellaneous						
01-4150-6-690						
Total Treasurer	3,420	8,100	8,750	8.02%	8,750	8.02%
TRUSTEES OF TRUSTS						
01-4150-7-340	0	1,300	1,300	0.00%	1,300	0.00%
TOT Investment Services						
01-4150-7-690	0	100	100	0.00%	100	0.00%
TOT Miscellaneous						
Total Trustees of Trusts	0	1,400	1,400	0.00%	1,400	0.00%
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY						
01-4150-8-314	0	0	16,712	100.00%	16,712	100.00%
IT Boston Systems						
01-4150-8-315	0	0	3,130	100.00%	3,130	100.00%
IT DMV Software						
01-4150-8-316	0	0	7,119	100.00%	7,119	100.00%
IT BMSI Software Support						
01-4150-8-318	0	0	6,150	100.00%	6,150	100.00%
IT Assessing Computer Software						
01-4150-8-319	0	0	1,625	100.00%	1,625	100.00%
IT Fire Dept Computer Maint						
01-4150-8-320	0	0	750	100.00%	750	100.00%
IT Bldg Dept Computer Maint						
01-4150-8-321	0	0	4,500	100.00%	4,500	100.00%
IT Police Dept IMC Software						
01-4150-8-322	0	0	5,000	100.00%	5,000	100.00%
IT Copier Lease						
01-4150-8-323	0	0	1,210	100.00%	1,210	100.00%
IT Postage Meter Rental						
01-4150-8-324	0	0	900	100.00%	900	100.00%
IT Election Equipment						
01-4150-8-325	0	0	1,000	100.00%	1,000	100.00%
IT Planning Board						
Total IT	0	0	48,096	100.00%	48,096	100.00%

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ASSESSOR						
01-4152-2-110 AS Salaries - Clerk	40,761	40,671	41,711	2.56%	41,711	2.56%
01-4152-2-312 AS Miscellaneous	363	350	375	7.14%	375	7.14%
01-4152-2-314 AS Computer Support (<i>moved IT</i>)	3,300	3,500	0	-100.00%	0	-100.00%
01-4152-2-341 AS Telephone	634	600	640	6.67%	640	6.67%
01-4152-2-350 AS Tax Map Maint	1,800	2,000	2,000	0.00%	2,000	0.00%
01-4152-2-391 AS Contract Service	12,394	12,120	12,800	5.61%	12,800	5.61%
01-4152-2-395 AS Utility Appraiser	5,000	5,000	5,000	0.00%	5,000	0.00%
01-4152-2-560 AS Dues/Subscriptions	104	350	350	0.00%	350	0.00%
01-4152-2-561 AS Rockingham County Copies	0	100	100	0.00%	100	0.00%
01-4152-2-620 AS Office Supplies	332	300	350	16.67%	350	16.67%
01-4152-2-621 AS Computer Equipment (<i>IT</i>)	247	225	0	-100.00%	0	-100.00%
01-4152-2-622 AS Revaluation	0	7,000	1,800	-74.29%	1,800	-74.29%
01-4152-2-625 AS Postage	639	575	650	13.04%	650	13.04%
01-4152-2-645 AS Mileage	250	400	400	0.00%	400	0.00%
Total Assessor	65,824	73,191	66,176	-9.58%	66,176	-9.58%
LEGAL						
01-4153-1-320 LE Services	74,859	75,000	75,000	0.00%	75,000	0.00%
Total Legal	74,859	75,000	75,000	0.00%	75,000	0.00%
BENEFITS						
01-4155-1-110 BE FICA	44,344	55,650	59,056	6.12%	59,056	6.12%
01-4155-1-111 BE Medicare	15,830	17,775	18,200	2.39%	18,200	2.39%
01-4155-1-112 BE Health/Dental Insurance	273,777	263,005	336,252	27.85%	316,719	20.42%
01-4155-1-113 BE NH Retirement-Employee	35,202	45,965	54,162	17.83%	54,162	17.83%
01-4155-1-114 BE NH Retirement-Police	56,374	81,803	83,657	2.27%	83,657	2.27%
01-4155-1-115 BE NH Retirement-Fire	25,144	29,085	29,662	1.98%	29,662	1.98%
01-4155-1-270 BE STD/LTD	8,460	9,970	11,930	19.68%	11,930	19.68%
Total Benefits	459,131	503,253	592,919	17.82%	573,386	13.94%
PLANNING BOARD						
01-4191-1-110 PB Planning Coord.	40,224	40,803	41,843	2.55%	41,843	2.55%
01-4191-1-112 PB Recording Secretary	0	4,050	1,000	-75.31%	1,000	-75.31%
01-4191-1-341 PB Telephone	934	720	700	-2.78%	700	-2.78%
01-4191-1-390 PB Contract Services	153	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%
01-4191-1-430 PB Office Equip Maint	0	158	158	0.00%	158	0.00%
01-4191-1-550 PB Printing	1,094	1,375	1,375	0.00%	1,375	0.00%
01-4191-1-560 PB Dues/Subscriptions	50	272	272	0.00%	272	0.00%

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01-4191-1-620						
PB Office Supplies	445	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%
01-4191-1-625						
PB Postage	756	600	900	50.00%	900	50.00%
01-4191-1-651						
PB Recording Fees	278	400	400	0.00%	400	0.00%
01-4191-1-670						
PB Books & Periodicals	130	137	150	9.49%	150	9.49%
01-4191-1-675						
PB Advertising	812	750	750	0.00%	750	0.00%
01-4191-1-690						
PB Miscellaneous	16	100	100	0.00%	100	0.00%
01-4191-1-741						
PB Office Equipment	0	300	300	0.00%	300	0.00%
01-4191-2-112						
PB Planner	0	1	4,125	412400.00%	1	0.00%
01-4191-2-114						
PB Town Mapper	0	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4191-2-116						
PB Travel	68	75	75	0.00%	75	0.00%
01-4191-2-117						
PB PT Clerk	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
Total Planning Board	44,960	51,742	54,149	4.65%	50,025	-3.32%
ZONING						
01-4193-1-110						
ZBA Admin Asst Salaries	7,837	8,175	9,403	15.02%	9,403	15.02%
01-4193-1-112						
ZBA Recording Sec.	1,181	900	900	0.00%	900	0.00%
01-4193-1-341						
ZBA Telephone	1,045	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4193-1-430						
ZBA Office Equipment Maint.	0	200	200	0.00%	200	0.00%
01-4193-1-560						
ZBA Dues/Subscriptions	225	375	375	0.00%	375	0.00%
01-4193-1-620						
ZBA Office Supplies	311	250	250	0.00%	250	0.00%
01-4193-1-625						
ZBA Postage	753	500	800	60.00%	800	60.00%
01-4193-1-645						
ZBA Mileage	0	50	50	0.00%	50	0.00%
01-4193-1-651						
ZBA Recording Fees	12	100	100	0.00%	100	0.00%
01-4193-1-670						
ZBA Books & Periodicals	40	200	200	0.00%	200	0.00%
01-4193-1-675						
ZBA Advertising	1,008	650	1,000	53.85%	1,000	53.85%
01-4193-1-741						
ZBA Office Equipment	0	300	300	0.00%	300	0.00%
Total Zoning	12,412	12,700	14,578	14.79%	14,578	14.79%
BUILDINGS						
01-4194-1-110						
GB Salary Maintenance	23,967	31,200	32,240	3.33%	32,240	3.33%
01-4194-1-111						
GB Maint-Custodian	12,335	12,575	12,627	0.41%	12,627	0.41%
01-4194-1-112						
GB Housekeeping	12,529	12,813	12,742	-0.55%	12,742	-0.55%
01-4194-1-113						
GB Maintenance Seasonal	4,612	5,125	2,550	-50.24%	2,550	-50.24%
01-4194-1-129						
GB Snow Removal	0	4,000	4,000	0.00%	4,000	0.00%
01-4194-1-341						
GB Telephone	779	1,200	1,000	-16.67%	1,000	-16.67%
01-4194-1-391						
GB Water Testing	3,520	5,000	5,000	0.00%	5,000	0.00%
01-4194-1-410						
GB Electricity	27,735	28,000	28,000	0.00%	28,000	0.00%
01-4194-1-411						
GB Heating Oil	25,483	28,595	28,595	0.00%	28,595	0.00%

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01-4194-1-412	640	800	800	0.00%	800	0.00%
01-4194-1-413	1,425	2,500	5,000	100.00%	5,000	100.00%
01-4194-1-414	9,779	11,130	11,130	0.00%	11,130	0.00%
01-4194-1-430	17,317	10,000	10,000	0.00%	10,000	0.00%
01-4194-1-432	17,116	2,000	2,000	0.00%	2,000	0.00%
01-4194-1-435	462	1,800	2,000	11.11%	2,000	11.11%
01-4194-1-437	526	750	750	0.00%	750	0.00%
01-4194-1-439	2,745	2,000	14,000	600.00%	14,000	600.00%
01-4194-1-440	2,373	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4194-1-441	1,546	1,000	9,500	850.00%	9,500	850.00%
01-4194-1-442	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4194-1-570	3,387	4,000	4,000	0.00%	4,000	0.00%
01-4194-1-572	2,255	1,200	7,000	483.33%	7,000	483.33%
01-4194-1-622	4,353	4,000	4,000	0.00%	4,000	0.00%
01-4194-1-623	2,782	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%
01-4194-1-639	1,975	2,500	2,500	0.00%	2,500	0.00%
01-4194-1-641	6,093	2,640	18,000	581.82%	18,000	581.82%
01-4194-1-650	3,925	4,000	5,000	25.00%	5,000	25.00%
01-4194-1-740	1,075	3,000	3,000	0.00%	3,000	0.00%
01-4194-1-741	1,703	2,500	2,500	0.00%	2,500	0.00%
01-4194-1-743	720	2,000	2,000	0.00%	2,000	0.00%
01-4194-1-750	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4194-1-801	4,413	47,000	5,000	-89.36%	5,000	-89.36%
01-4194-1-840	10,656	5,000	5,000	0.00%	5,000	0.00%
01-4194-1-841	18,000	0	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4194-1-845	800	7,500	7,500	0.00%	7,500	0.00%
01-4194-1-850	4,104	2,000	2,000	0.00%	2,000	0.00%
01-4194-1-851	150	4,000	4,000	0.00%	4,000	0.00%
01-4194-1-853	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4194-1-855	1,347	1,000	2,000	100.00%	2,000	100.00%
01-4194-1-856						
Total Buildings	232,627	257,331	259,938	1.01%	259,938	1.01%

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STEVENS HALL						
01-4194-2-341	462	460	460	0.00%	460	0.00%
01-4194-2-390	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4194-2-410	1,487	1,750	1,750	0.00%	1,750	0.00%
01-4194-2-411	7,893	6,900	6,900	0.00%	6,900	0.00%
01-4194-2-430	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4194-2-510	255	1	255	25400.00%	255	25400.00%
01-4194-2-660	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
Total Stevens Hall	10,097	9,114	9,368	2.79%	9,368	2.79%
CEMETERY						
01-4195-1-110	13,167	10,300	13,032	26.52%	13,032	26.52%
01-4195-1-120	600	600	600	0.00%	600	0.00%
01-4195-1-390	2,000	2,500	2,500	0.00%	2,500	0.00%
01-4195-1-430	760	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4195-1-530	0	2,000	3,000	50.00%	3,000	50.00%
01-4195-1-531	0	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%
01-4195-1-635	781	850	1,000	17.65%	1,000	17.65%
01-4195-1-690	1,377	1,500	1,500	0.00%	1,500	0.00%
01-4195-1-700	1,472	2,000	3,997	99.85%	3,997	99.85%
01-4195-1-740	635	5,200	2,500	-51.92%	2,500	-51.92%
01-4195-1-742	714	0	0		0	
01-4195-1-743	0	300	600	100.00%	600	100.00%
01-4195-1-744	0	4,700	0	-100.00%	0	-100.00%
Total Cemetery	21,506	31,450	30,229	-3.88%	30,229	-3.88%
INSURANCE						
01-4196-1-520	38,022	38,500	49,007	27.29%	49,007	27.29%
01-4196-1-522	25,480	28,000	34,159	22.00%	34,159	22.00%
01-4196-1-530	0	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4196-1-535	4,105	4,480	4,256	-5.00%	4,256	-5.00%
Total Insurance	67,607	71,980	88,422	22.84%	88,422	22.84%
AD						
01-4197-1-385	3,504	3,627	4,269	17.70%	4,269	17.70%
01-4197-1-390	2,913	3,000	3,019	0.63%	3,019	0.63%
Total Admin & Reg Dev.	6,417	6,627	7,288	9.97%	7,288	9.97%

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POLICE DEPT.	FY12/13 Actual	FY13/14 Budget	BOS 14/15 Proposed	BOS % Inc/Dec	Budget Committee 14/15 Proposed	BC % Inc/Dec
01-4210-1-110	71,305	72,332	73,372	1.44%	73,372	1.44%
01-4210-1-115	201,628	226,000	229,287	1.45%	229,287	1.45%
01-4210-1-120	30,650	30,829	31,866	3.36%	31,866	3.36%
01-4210-1-122	38,930	33,629	36,078	7.28%	36,078	7.28%
01-4210-1-124	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4210-1-130	2,354	2,000	2,000	0.00%	2,000	0.00%
01-4210-1-131	2,944	10,000	10,000	0.00%	10,000	0.00%
01-4210-1-132	0	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%
01-4210-1-136	15,931	13,000	16,000	23.08%	16,000	23.08%
01-4210-1-314	6,730	9,152	0	-100.00%	0	-100.00%
01-4210-1-320	14,000	14,000	14,000	0.00%	14,000	0.00%
01-4210-1-341	4,975	5,300	5,300	0.00%	5,300	0.00%
01-4210-1-550	183	600	600	0.00%	600	0.00%
01-4210-1-560	540	750	750	0.00%	750	0.00%
01-4210-1-561	350	1,000	900	-10.00%	900	-10.00%
01-4210-1-625	395	600	600	0.00%	600	0.00%
01-4210-1-670	150	250	250	0.00%	250	0.00%
01-4210-1-690	258	1,500	1,500	0.00%	1,500	0.00%
01-4210-3-430	634	1,000	1,050	5.00%	1,050	5.00%
01-4210-3-635	27,412	31,000	31,000	0.00%	31,000	0.00%
01-4210-3-637	1,818	2,500	3,000	20.00%	3,000	20.00%
01-4210-3-665	1,490	1,500	1,500	0.00%	1,500	0.00%
01-4210-3-670	2,757	2,000	2,500	25.00%	2,500	25.00%
01-4210-3-671	1,371	2,500	2,000	-20.00%	2,000	-20.00%
01-4210-3-672	5,881	2,500	2,500	0.00%	2,500	0.00%
01-4210-3-673	0	0	3,000	0.00%	3,000	0.00%
01-4210-3-760	0	0	42,000	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4210-5-740	320	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4210-5-810	3,397	4,000	4,000	0.00%	4,000	0.00%
01-4210-5-811	0	3,750	1	-99.97%	1	-99.97%
01-4210-6-740	2,987	3,500	3,500	0.00%	3,500	0.00%
01-4210-7-430	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4210-7-725	0	1	1,500	149900.00%	1,500	149900.00%
01-4210-8-430	1,742	1,700	1,700	0.00%	1,700	0.00%
01-4210-8-670	0	0	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
Total Police Dept.	441,132	478,395	524,256	9.59%	482,257	0.81%

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POLICE DEPARTMENT GRANTS						
01-4212-1-700						
DWI Statewide Hunter	0	0	1	1	1	
01-4212-1-701						
Speed Grant	0	0	1	1	1	
01-4212-1-702						
DWI Chester Hunter	0	0	1	1	1	
Total Police Dept. Grants	0	0	3		3	
AMBULANCE						
01-4215-1-350						
AM Contract Med Serv	52,093	54,440	63,033	15.78%	63,033	15.78%
01-4215-1-351						
AM Transport Fees	0	1	2,000	199900.00%	2,000	199900.00%
01-4215-1-352						
AM Intercepts	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4215-1-570						
AM Dispatching Services (from FD)	0	0	28,882		28,882	
Total Ambulance	52,093	54,442	93,916	72.51%	93,916	72.51%
FIRE DEPT						
01-4220-1-120						
FD Salaries - Deputy Chief	2,000	2,000	2,000	0.00%	2,000	0.00%
01-4220-1-130						
FD Salaries - Admin Assist	14,398	15,191	17,576	15.70%	17,576	15.70%
01-4220-1-136						
FD Overtime	4,752	4,000	4,000	0.00%	4,000	0.00%
01-4220-1-140						
FD Salaries - Duty Officer	7,800	7,800	7,800	0.00%	7,800	0.00%
01-4220-1-150						
FD Salaries - Fire Fighter	27,544	30,000	30,000	0.00%	30,000	0.00%
01-4220-1-160						
FD Salaries - Chief	56,049	56,751	57,791	1.83%	57,791	1.83%
01-4220-1-170						
FD Salaries - Daytime	47,140	44,091	45,136	2.37%	45,136	2.37%
01-4220-1-341						
FD Admin Telephone	1,371	1,800	1,800	0.00%	1,800	0.00%
01-4220-1-410						
FD Electricity	6,184	7,000	7,000	0.00%	7,000	0.00%
01-4220-1-411						
FD Heat/ Propane	9,564	5,500	9,000	63.64%	9,000	63.64%
01-4220-1-430						
FD EMS Contract Service	2,010	2,010	2,160	7.46%	2,160	7.46%
01-4220-1-560						
FD Dues/Subscriptions	3,834	2,500	2,500	0.00%	2,500	0.00%
01-4220-1-561						
FD Training/Education Material	10,737	10,000	8,000	-20.00%	8,000	-20.00%
01-4220-1-562						
FD Fire Prev. Inspections	875	1,500	1,500	0.00%	1,500	0.00%
01-4220-1-570						
FD Dispatching Services (AMB)	23,870	26,257	0	-100.00%	0	-100.00%
01-4220-1-620						
FD Office Supplies	2,452	2,500	2,500	0.00%	2,500	0.00%
01-4220-1-635						
FD Gas & Diesel	8,543	9,200	9,000	-2.17%	9,000	-2.17%
01-4220-1-740						
FD Equipment	4,442	6,000	6,000	0.00%	6,000	0.00%
01-4220-3-430						
FD Radio Repair & Maint	1,896	2,500	2,000	-20.00%	2,000	-20.00%
01-4220-3-431						
FD Computer Maint. (moved IT)	1,032	1,000	0	-100.00%	0	-100.00%
01-4220-3-435						
FD Hazmat Equipment	999	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4220-3-740						
FD Radio Equipment	4,866	5,000	5,000	0.00%	5,000	0.00%
01-4220-4-810						
FD Uniforms & Equip	1,610	2,000	2,000	0.00%	2,000	0.00%
01-4220-4-811						
FD EMS Supplies & Equip	5,567	6,000	6,000	0.00%	6,000	0.00%

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01-4220-6-660	11,481	10,000	10,000	0.00%	10,000	0.00%
01-4220-6-661	12,621	10,000	10,000	0.00%	10,000	0.00%
01-4220-6-881	4,698	6,500	6,000	-7.69%	6,000	-7.69%
01-4220-7-350	930	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4220-7-430	2,741	3,000	3,500	16.67%	3,500	16.67%
01-4220-8-740	2,709	2,500	2,500	0.00%	2,500	0.00%
01-4220-8-741	983	900	900	0.00%	900	0.00%
01-4220-8-800	(1,133)	0	0		0	
Total Fire Dept.	284,565	285,500	263,663	-7.65%	263,663	-7.65%
FOREST FIRE						
01-4221-2-120	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4221-8-660	364	1,500	1,500	0.00%	1,500	0.00%
01-4221-8-740	2,197	1,500	1,500	0.00%	1,500	0.00%
Total Forest Fire	2,561	3,001	3,001	0.00%	3,001	0.00%
FIRE DEPARTMENT GRANTS						
01-4222-1-563	0	0	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4222-1-564	0	0	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4222-1-565	1,133	0	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
Total Fire Dept. Grants	1,133	0	3		3	
AMBULANCE BILLING						
01-4223-1-400	1,686	1,500	1,500	0.00%	1,500	0.00%
AM Ambulance Billing	1,686	1,500	1,500	0.00%	1,500	0.00%
BUILDING INSPECTION						
01-4240-1-110	43,907	43,916	44,956	2.37%	44,956	2.37%
01-4240-1-341	899	900	900	0.00%	900	0.00%
01-4240-1-391	0	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4240-1-520	0	175	175	0.00%	175	0.00%
01-4240-1-560	455	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4240-1-620	533	400	400	0.00%	400	0.00%
01-4240-1-623	725	800	800	0.00%	800	0.00%
01-4240-1-625	31	100	100	0.00%	100	0.00%
01-4240-1-638	0	300	300	0.00%	300	0.00%
01-4240-1-645	20	350	350	0.00%	350	0.00%
01-4240-1-690	148	475	475	0.00%	475	0.00%
01-4240-1-741	1,824	150	150	0.00%	150	0.00%
01-4240-1-742	105	750	0	-100.00%	0	-100.00%
01-4240-1-810	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4240-2-430	0	150	150	0.00%	150	0.00%
01-4240-3-430	1,269	2,695	2,695	0.00%	2,695	0.00%
Total Building Inspection	49,916	53,162	53,452	0.55%	53,452	0.55%

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EMERGENCY						
01-4290-1-430	4,123	3,500	3,500	0.00%	3,500	0.00%
01-4290-1-431	0	0	1		1	
01-4299-1-100	5,765	6,000	6,000	0.00%	6,000	0.00%
Total Emergency	9,888	9,500	9,501	0.01%	9,501	0.01%
HIGHWAY						
01-4312-1-109	20,950	10,000	15,000	50.00%	10,000	0.00%
01-4312-1-110	69,533	67,662	67,200	-0.68%	67,200	-0.68%
01-4312-1-111	8,319	1	8,000	799900.00%	1	0.00%
01-4312-1-112	653	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4312-1-114	4,680	3,500	3,500	0.00%	3,500	0.00%
01-4312-1-115	0	225	225	0.00%	225	0.00%
01-4312-1-341	1,243	1,100	1,100	0.00%	1,100	0.00%
01-4312-1-410	1,264	2,000	2,000	0.00%	2,000	0.00%
01-4312-1-411	2,989	3,400	3,400	0.00%	3,400	0.00%
01-4312-1-620	68	125	125	0.00%	125	0.00%
01-4312-1-622	1,643	1,750	1,750	0.00%	1,750	0.00%
01-4312-1-623	2,245	3,000	3,000	0.00%	3,000	0.00%
01-4312-1-635	11,730	20,600	20,600	0.00%	20,600	0.00%
01-4312-1-660	20,926	7,500	7,500	0.00%	7,500	0.00%
01-4312-1-661	5,956	10,000	10,000	0.00%	10,000	0.00%
01-4312-1-665	12,435	5,000	5,000	0.00%	5,000	0.00%
01-4312-1-690	3,429	200	200	0.00%	200	0.00%
01-4312-1-740	2,153	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4312-1-901	23,082	25,000	27,500	10.00%	27,500	10.00%
01-4312-1-902	171,757	175,000	185,000	5.71%	185,000	5.71%
01-4312-1-904	6,179	10,000	10,000	0.00%	10,000	0.00%
01-4312-1-905	74,861	70,000	75,000	7.14%	75,000	7.14%
01-4312-1-911	1,240	100,000	110,000	10.00%	50,000	-50.00%
01-4312-1-913	46,230	45,000	50,000	11.11%	50,000	11.11%
01-4312-1-914	25,612	25,000	27,000	8.00%	27,000	8.00%
01-4312-1-915	3,832	3,500	4,000	14.29%	4,000	14.29%
01-4312-2-570	11,713	8,000	10,000	25.00%	10,000	25.00%
01-4312-2-700	0	10,000	10,000	0.00%	5,000	-50.00%
01-4312-2-710	25,200	20,000	20,000	0.00%	20,000	0.00%
01-4312-2-720	(52,987)					
Total Highway	506,935	629,563	679,100	7.87%	601,101	-4.52%
01-4314-5-902	52,987					
HSB FEMA Expense						

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STREET LIGHTING						
01-4316-3-410 SL Electric	4,166	3,700	4,500	21.62%	4,500	21.62%
Total Street Lighting	4,166	3,700	4,500	21.62%	4,500	21.62%
TRANSFER STATION						
01-4324-1-110 TS Salaries	58,165	57,451	59,566	3.68%	59,566	3.68%
01-4324-1-341 TS Telephone	335	450	400	-11.11%	400	-11.11%
01-4324-1-410 TS Electric	2,534	2,700	2,500	-7.41%	2,500	-7.41%
01-4324-1-560 TS Operator Certification	100	150	150	0.00%	150	0.00%
01-4324-1-622 TS Supplies & Equip	5,250	2,000	2,500	25.00%	2,500	25.00%
01-4324-1-623 TS Signs	213	1	150	14900.00%	150	14900.00%
01-4324-1-635 TS Gas for Equipment	86	175	175	0.00%	175	0.00%
01-4324-1-634 TS Diesel for Equipment	0	0	900		900	
01-4324-1-645 TS Employee Mileage	250	350	50	-85.71%	50	-85.71%
01-4324-2-106 RECY Scrap Metal Hauling	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4324-2-107 RECY Auto Batteries Hauling	0	0	50		50	
01-4324-2-108 RECY TV, Computers	654	500	900	80.00%	900	80.00%
01-4324-2-109 RECY Propane Cylinder	0	1	50	4900.00%	50	4900.00%
01-4324-2-110 RECY Aluminum Cans Hauling	0	0	320		320	
01-4324-2-111 RECY Plastics Rent & Hauling	2,381	2,550	2,700	5.88%	2,700	5.88%
01-4324-2-113 RECY Mixed Cans Hauling & Tippi	0	950	600	-36.84%	600	-36.84%
01-4324-2-114 RECY Paper	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4324-2-115 RECY Freon, Appliance	522	600	1,100	83.33%	1,100	83.33%
01-4324-2-116 RECY Tire Removal	476	400	400	0.00%	400	0.00%
01-4324-2-117 RECY Glass	4,136	4,200	3,800	-9.52%	3,800	-9.52%
01-4324-2-118 TS Site Work	3,844	1,000	500	-50.00%	500	-50.00%
01-4324-2-119 TS Facility Maint.	5,075	2,000	1,000	-50.00%	1,000	-50.00%
01-4324-2-120 TS Facility Improvement	0	0	1		1	
01-4324-2-122 TS Haz Waste Collection	1,104	1,500	1,600	6.67%	1,600	6.67%
01-4324-2-124 TS Transport & Tipping	63,001	56,200	65,000	15.66%	65,000	15.66%
01-4324-2-125 TS Dump Sticker	352	350	350	0.00%	350	0.00%
01-4324-2-129 TS Snow Removal	7,250	8,500	5,500	-35.29%	5,500	-35.29%
01-4324-2-560 TS NRRA Membership Fee	239	250	250	0.00%	250	0.00%
01-4324-2-620 TS Fluorescent Bulb Disposal	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4324-2-640 TS Solid Fill Disposal	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4324-2-641 TS Mowing	1,700	1,700	1,700	0.00%	1,700	0.00%
Total Transfer Station	157,667	143,982	152,216	5.72%	152,216	5.72%

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LANDFILL						
01-4325-1-100	9,392	9,500	9,500	0.00%	9,500	0.00%
01-4325-1-110	1,365	1,500	1,500	0.00%	1,500	0.00%
01-4325-1-690	860	2,000	2,000	0.00%	2,000	0.00%
Total Landfill	11,617	13,000	13,000	0.00%	13,000	0.00%
ANIMAL CONTROL						
01-4414-1-990	0	1	1,000	99900.00%	1,000	99900.00%
ACO Animal Control Exp	0	1	1,000	99900.00%	1,000	99900.00%
WR OTHER HEALTH AGENCIES						
01-4419-1-350	2,081	2,000	2,581	29.05%	2,581	29.05%
01-4419-1-351	4,500	5,000	5,000	0.00%	5,000	0.00%
01-4419-1-352	0	3,000	3,000	0.00%	3,000	0.00%
01-4419-1-354	2,250	2,250	2,250	0.00%	2,250	0.00%
01-4419-1-355	1,000	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4419-1-356	1,000	1,000	1,500	50.00%	1,500	50.00%
01-4419-1-357	100	100	100	0.00%	100	0.00%
01-4419-1-358	700	700	800	14.29%	800	14.29%
01-4419-1-359	500	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%
01-4419-1-361	100	100	100	0.00%	100	0.00%
01-4419-1-362	6,019	6,019	6,019	0.00%	6,019	0.00%
01-4419-1-363	2,000	2,000	2,000	0.00%	2,000	0.00%
01-4419-1-364	1,000	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4419-1-365	750	750	750	0.00%	750	0.00%
Total WR Other Health Ag.	22,000	25,419	26,600	4.65%	26,600	4.65%
GA GENERAL ASSISTANCE						
01-4442-1-150	0	750	1,000	33.33%	1,000	33.33%
01-4442-1-341	279	375	375	0.00%	375	0.00%
01-4442-1-350	320	1,300	1,200	-7.69%	1,200	-7.69%
01-4442-1-410	1,324	3,500	1,200	-65.71%	1,200	-65.71%
01-4442-1-411	2,700	3,000	3,000	0.00%	3,000	0.00%
01-4442-1-415	250	750	975	30.00%	975	30.00%
01-4442-1-440	7,535	12,000	12,000	0.00%	12,000	0.00%
01-4442-1-690	250	300	300	0.00%	300	0.00%
Total General Assistance	12,658	21,975	20,050	-8.76%	20,050	-8.76%
WELFARE INTERGOVERNMENTAL						
01-4444-1-100	3,712	3,712	3,712	0.00%	3,712	0.00%
01-4444-1-200	627	627	650	3.67%	650	3.67%
Total Welfare Intergovern.	4,339	4,339	4,362	0.53%	4,362	0.53%

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RECREATION						
01-4520-1-110	20,567	19,572	20,358	4.02%	20,358	4.02%
01-4520-1-120	15,000	15,000	15,000	0.00%	15,000	0.00%
01-4520-1-341	959	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4520-1-410	1,128	1,540	1,540	0.00%	1,540	0.00%
01-4520-1-430	0	0	0		0	
01-4520-1-570	609	2,173	2,173	0.00%	2,173	0.00%
01-4520-1-571	1,609	2,112	2,112	0.00%	2,112	0.00%
01-4520-1-622	1,050	2,500	2,500	0.00%	2,500	0.00%
01-4520-1-730	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4520-1-760	2,225	4,281	1,706	-60.15%	1,706	-60.15%
01-4520-1-900	3,495	5,900	5,900	0.00%	5,900	0.00%
Total Recreation	46,642	54,079	52,290	-3.31%	52,290	-3.31%
WASON POND						
01-4530-1-431	1,024	1,430	1,430	0.00%	1,430	0.00%
01-4530-1-432	2,081	2,000	2,000	0.00%	2,000	0.00%
01-4530-1-433	1,117	1,000	1,200	20.00%	1,200	20.00%
01-4530-1-570	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4530-1-620	161	200	300	50.00%	300	50.00%
01-4530-1-621	(240)	500	500	0.00%	500	0.00%
01-4530-1-623	475	250	250	0.00%	250	0.00%
01-4530-1-650	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4530-1-655	0	4,300	4,300	0.00%	4,300	0.00%
01-4530-1-660	1,089	1,000	1,000	0.00%	1,000	0.00%
01-4530-1-730	0	0	1		1	
Total Wason Pond	5,707	10,682	10,983	2.82%	10,983	2.82%
WP CARETAKER COTTAGE						
01-4535-1-431	773	1,200	1,200	0.00%	1,200	0.00%
Total WP Caretaker Cottage	773	1,200	1,200	0.00%	1,200	0.00%
WP BATH HOUSE-Recreation						
01-4540-1-430	0	3,000	100	-96.67%	100	-96.67%
01-4540-1-431	140	200	200	0.00%	200	0.00%
Total WP Bath House	140	3,200	300	-90.63%	300	-90.63%

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WASON POND COMMISSION						
01-4541-1-430	0	200	400	100.00%	400	100.00%
01-4541-1-431	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4541-1-432	0	300	300	0.00%	300	0.00%
01-4541-1-433	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4541-1-434	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4541-1-435	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4541-1-436	0	100	100	0.00%	100	0.00%
01-4541-1-437	0	150	150	0.00%	150	0.00%
Total Wason Pond Comm.	0	754	954	26.53%	954	26.53%
LIBRARY						
01-4550-1-100	111,288	133,660	157,000	17.46%	158,700	18.73%
LIB Chester Public Library	111,288	133,660	157,000	17.46%	158,700	18.73%
PATRIOTIC						
01-4583-1-600	349	3,200	1,500	-53.13%	1,500	-53.13%
Total Patriotic	349	3,200	1,500	-53.13%	1,500	-53.13%
HISTORICAL SOCIETY						
01-4584-1-100	462	0	1		1	
HS Telephone	462	0	1		1	
Total Historical Society						
CTV21						
01-4585-1-341	158	0	0		0	
01-4585-1-410	966	0	0		0	
01-4585-1-690	0	0	0		0	
Total CTV21	1,124	0	0		0	
CHESTER SENIOR CITIZENS						
01-4586-1-100	10,000	10,000	10,000	0.00%	10,000	0.00%
SR Chester Senior Citizens	10,000	10,000	10,000	0.00%	10,000	0.00%
TOWN FAIR FIREWORKS						
01-4587-1-100	7,000	7,000	7,000	0.00%	7,000	0.00%
TF Town Fair Fireworks	7,000	7,000	7,000	0.00%	7,000	0.00%
SPRING HILL FARM						
01-4610-1-100	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
SHF Spring Hill Farm	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
Total Spring Hill Farm						

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CONSERVATION						
01-4619-1-110	0	250	150	-40.00%	150	-40.00%
01-4619-1-550	0	100	100	0.00%	100	0.00%
01-4619-1-560	421	365	300	-17.81%	300	-17.81%
01-4619-1-625	0	50	50	0.00%	50	0.00%
01-4619-1-690	217	100	100	0.00%	100	0.00%
01-4619-1-695	0	250	250	0.00%	250	0.00%
01-4619-1-700	0	150	150	0.00%	150	0.00%
01-4619-1-750	50	50	50	0.00%	50	0.00%
01-4619-1-775	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4619-1-800	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4619-1-901	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4619-1-905	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4619-1-910	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4619-1-911	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
	1,032					
Total Conservation	1,720	1,320	1,155	-12.50%	1,155	-12.50%
AGRICULTURAL						
01-4620-1-110	0	300	300	0.00%	300	0.00%
01-4620-1-550	0	150	150	0.00%	150	0.00%
01-4620-1-560	0	300	300	0.00%	300	0.00%
01-4620-1-625	0	250	250	0.00%	250	0.00%
01-4620-1-690	0	50	50	0.00%	50	0.00%
	0	1,050	1,050	0.00%	1,050	0.00%
Total Agricultural	0	1,050	1,050	0.00%	1,050	0.00%
TOTAL BEFORE DEBT	3,120,912	3,453,468	3,692,683	6.93%	3,548,416	2.75%

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LOAN PRINCIPALS						
01-4711-1-100						
Principal - TAN	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4711-1-400	25,000	25,000	25,000	0.00%	25,000	0.00%
Principal - Fire Station	30,000	25,000	25,000	0.00%	25,000	0.00%
01-4711-1-450	210,000	210,000	210,000	0.00%	210,000	0.00%
Principal - Wason Pond Dam	37,935	39,958	42,089	5.33%	42,089	5.33%
01-4711-1-600	38,831	40,114	41,438	3.30%	41,438	3.30%
Principal - Road Bond	13,461	14,228	15,039	5.70%	15,039	5.70%
01-4711-1-800						
Principal - Rescue Truck						
01-4711-1-801						
Principal - Quint Fire Truck						
01-4711-1-802						
Principal - 2012 Ford F550						
01-4711-1-803						
Principal - 2013 Skid Steer						
Total Loan Principals	355,227	354,301	367,222	3.65%	367,222	3.65%
LOAN INTEREST						
01-4721-1-400	8,125	6,875	5,625	-18.18%	5,625	-18.18%
Interest - Fire Station	3,650	2,750	2,000	-27.27%	2,000	-27.27%
01-4721-1-450	17,325	10,605	3,570	-66.34%	3,570	-66.34%
Interest - Wason Pond Dam	6,397	4,375	2,245	-48.69%	2,245	-48.69%
01-4721-1-600	13,188	11,906	10,582	-11.12%	10,582	-11.12%
Interest - Road Bond	3,342	2,574	1,764	-31.47%	1,764	-31.47%
01-4721-1-800	0	0	903	0.00%	903	0.00%
Interest - Rescue Truck	0	1	1	0.00%	1	0.00%
01-4721-1-801						
Interest - Quint Fire Truck						
01-4721-1-802						
Interest - 2012 Ford F550						
14-4721-1-803						
Interest - 2013 Skid Steer						
01-4723-1-100						
Interest - TAN						
Total Interest	52,027	39,086	26,690	-31.71%	26,690	-31.71%
TOTAL BUDGET	3,528,166	3,846,855	4,134,691	7.48%	3,990,424	3.73%

BUDGET OF THE TOWN WITH A MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

OF: CHESTER

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, _____ to December 31, _____

or Fiscal Year From July 2014 to June 2015

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): April 23, 2014

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.

[Signature]
Chairman
[Signature]
Vice-Chair
[Signature]
Michael Wilson
[Signature]
[Signature]
[Signature]

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
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Budget - Town of Chester FY 2015

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)			OP Bud.		Appropriations		Actual		SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS	
	GENERAL GOVERNMENT			Warr.	Art.#	Prior Year As	Prior Year	Prior Year	Prior Year	Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	Ensuing Fiscal Year (Not Recommended)	Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	Ensuing Fiscal Year (Not Recommended)
						Approved by DRA	2012-2013	2012-2013	2012-2013	2014-2015	2014-2015	2014-2015	2014-2015
4130-4139	Executive					108,772		103,474		144,422		142,110	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics					68,790		14,265		15,424		15,424	
4150-4151	Financial Administration					132,258		112,340		130,943		130,943	
4152	Revaluation of Property					66,070		65,824		66,176		66,176	
4153	Legal Expense					55,000		74,859		75,000		75,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration					474,499		459,131		592,919		573,386	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning					60,452		57,372		68,727		64,603	
4194	General Government Buildings					257,799		242,724		269,306		269,306	
4195	Cemeteries					21,964		21,506		30,229		30,229	
4196	Insurance					69,228		67,608		88,422		88,422	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.					6,799		6,417		7,288		7,288	
4199	Other General Government					52,277		94,845		158,366		158,366	
PUBLIC SAFETY													
4210-4214	Police					442,860		441,132		524,259		482,260	
4215-4219	Ambulance					53,593		53,779		95,416		95,416	
4220-4229	Fire					276,423		288,260		266,667		266,667	
4240-4249	Building Inspection					52,731		49,915		53,452		53,452	
4290-4298	Emergency Management					7,501		9,888		9,501		9,501	
4299	Other (Including Communications)												
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER													
4301-4309	Airport Operations												
HIGHWAYS & STREETS													
4311	Administration												
4312	Highways & Streets					617,164		559,922		679,100		601,101	
4313	Bridges												

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	2014-2015 (Not Recommended)	BUDGET COMM. APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	2014-2015 (Not Recommended)
HIGHWAYS & STREETS (cont.)								
4316	Street Lighting		3,600	4,166	4,500		4,500	
4319	Other							
SANITATION								
4321	Administration		173,549	169,284	165,216		165,216	
4323	Solid Waste Collection							
4324	Solid Waste Disposal							
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other							
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT								
4331	Administration							
4332	Water Services							
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other							
ELECTRIC								
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation							
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
HEALTH/WELEFARE								
4411	Administration							
4414	Pest Control		1	-	1,000		1,000	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		22,000	22,000	26,600		26,600	
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		43,170	12,658	20,050		20,050	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payemnts		4,339	4,339	4,362		4,362	
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	2014-2015 (Not Recommended)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	2014-2015 (Not Recommended)
CULTURE & RECREATION								
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		54,688	46,642	52,290		52,290	
4550-4559	Library		111,288	111,288	157,000		158,700	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		7,350	7,348	8,500		8,500	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		21,908	18,205	23,439		23,439	
CONSERVATION								
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		1,720	1,720	1,155		1,155	
4619	Other Conservation				1,050		1,050	
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing							
4651-4659	Economic Development							
DEBT SERVICE								
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		355,228	355,227	367,222		367,222	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		52,028	52,027	26,690		26,690	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes							
4790-4799	Other Debt Service							
CAPITAL OUTLAY								
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment							
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.							
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT								
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	- Sewer							
	- Water							

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended) (Not Recommended)	2014-2015	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended) (Not Recommended)	2014-2015
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT (cont.)		2012-2013	2012-2013	2014-2015	2014-2015	2014-2015	2014-2015
	- Electric							
	- Airport							
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds							
4919	To Fiduciary Funds							
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL			3,675,049	3,528,165	4,134,691	-	3,990,424	-

****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3.VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Not Recommended)
4915			20,250	20,250	-	-	-
4915			45,000	-	-	-	-
			45,000	5,500	-	-	-
			49,945	5,240	-	-	-
			25,000	25,000	-	-	-
			10,000	10,000	-	-	-
			41,650	41,600	-	-	-
			15,000	15,000	-	-	-
			8,000	-	-	-	-
			72,641	72,641	-	-	-
			7,881	355	-	-	-
	Police Communication Equipment	13			10,000		10,000
	Master Plan Update	19			50,000		50,000
	PACT	23			45,000		-
	SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED		340,367	185,586	105,000	60,000	45,000

****INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements, leases or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Recommended)	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (Not Recommended)
4915	Road Improvement (CIP)	6	-	-	350,000	-	-
	Road Improvement	7	-	-	200,000	-	200,000
	Highway Truck/Lease/Purchase	8	-	-	38,000	-	-
	Winter Road Maintenance	9	-	-	85,000	-	-
	Debris Removal	10	-	-	65,000	-	-
	Building & Storage Area	11	-	-	85,000	-	85,000
	Police Vehicle	12	-	-	42,000	-	-
	Equipment/Vehicle Capital Reserve	14	-	-	10,000	-	-
	Spring Hill Farm	16	-	-	15,000	-	15,000
	Bldg Improvement Capital Reserve	17	-	-	20,000	-	20,000
	Unanticipated Maint Cap Reserve	18	-	-	3,000	-	3,000
	Revaluation Capital Reserve	20	-	-	15,000	-	-
	Tanker Truck	21	-	-	-	-	-
	300th Anniversary Capital Reserve	22	-	-	5,000	-	-
	Town Administrator (petition)	26	-	-	58,241	58,241	-
	INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED		-	-	933,000	688,241	323,000

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Est. Revenues
TAXES			2012-2013	2014-2015	2014-2015
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		7,884	5,000	5,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3189	Other Taxes		618	700	700
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		96,081	44,000	44,000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		829	500	500
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES					
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		12,342		
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		865,525	850,000	850,000
3230	Building Permits		62,263	72,150	72,150
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		2,065	9,300	9,300
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
FROM STATE					
3351	Shared Revenues				
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		212,432	213,283	213,283
3353	Highway Block Grant		118,053	119,761	119,761
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		119,401	100	100
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS		-		
CHARGES FOR SERVICES					
3401-3406	Income from Departments		134,833	93,185	93,185
3409	Other Charges		36,180	36,180	36,180
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES					
3501	Sale of Municipal Property				
3502	Interest on Investments		2,728	250	250
3503-3509	Other			-	
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN					
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		355	10,000	10,000
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Selectmen's Estimated Revenues	Budget Committee's Est. Revenues
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN (cont.)			2012-2013	2014-2015	2014-2015
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		108,063	350,000	350,000
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES					
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amounts Voted From Fund Balance				
	Estimated Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes				
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			1,779,652	1,804,409	1,804,409

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	3,675,049	4,134,691	3,990,424
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	340,367	105,000	60,000
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	-	933,000	668,241
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	4,015,416	5,172,691	4,718,665
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	1,779,652	1,804,409	1,804,409
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	2,235,764	3,368,282	2,914,256

**Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18:
(See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)**

5,151,140

BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

(For Calculating 10% Maximum Allowable Increase)

(RSA 32:18, 32:19 & 32:21)

Use VERSION #1 if budget does not contain Collective Bargaining Cost Items; RSA 32:21 Water Costs;
or RSA 32:18-a Bond Override

LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT: Town of Chester, NH FISCAL YEAR END June 30, 2015

	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Committee (See Posted Budget MS7, 27 or 37)	\$ 4,718,665
LESS EXCLUSIONS:	
2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$ 367,222
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	\$ 26,690
4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds & Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7b	
5. Mandatory Assessments	
6. Total exclusions (Sum of rows 2-5)	\$ 393,912
7. Amount recommended less recommended Exclusion amounts (line 1 less line 6)	\$ 4,324,753
8. Line 7 times 10%	\$ 432,475
9. Maximum Allowable Appropriations (line 1 + 8)	\$ 5,151,140

Line 8 is the maximum allowable increase to budget committee's recommended budget.

Attach a copy of this completed supplemental schedule to the back of the budget form.



MELANSON HEATH & COMPANY, PC

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS
MANAGERS ADVISORS

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Chester, New Hampshire

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Chester, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013 (except for the discretely presented component unit, which is as of and for the year ended December 31, 2012), which collectively comprise the Town of Chester, New Hampshire's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Town's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and

fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the discretely presented component unit, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Chester, New Hampshire, as of June 30, 2013, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Management's Discussion and Analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board*, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with evidence sufficient to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Chester, New Hampshire's basic financial statements. The schedules of Nonmajor Governmental Funds appearing on pages 39 through 44 are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Melanson, Heath + Company P.C.

Nashua, New Hampshire
January 22, 2014

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of the Town of Chester, New Hampshire, we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Chester, New Hampshire for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013.

A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the basic financial statements. The basic financial statements comprise three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of our finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the Town's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes and earned but unused vacation leave).

The governmental activities include general government, public safety, highways and streets, sanitation, health and welfare, culture and recreation, and conservation.

The government-wide financial statements are designed to include the Town of Chester, New Hampshire (the primary government), and any legally separate entities for which it is financially accountable (component units). The Town of Chester, New Hampshire has one component unit, the Spring Hill Farm Trust. This Trust was established to administer the daily functions of the Spring Hill Farm, which was donated to the Town by Ms. Muriel Church.

Fund financial statements. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Town's own programs.

Notes to financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

Other information. In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information which is required to be disclosed by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the total of assets exceeded liabilities by \$15,446,113 (i.e., net position), a change of \$210,113 in comparison to the prior year.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$3,279,765, a change of \$514,381 in comparison to the prior year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$1,188,433, a change of \$110,942 in comparison to the prior year.

- Total long-term debt (i.e., bonds payable) at the close of the current fiscal year was \$645,000, a change of \$(265,000) in comparison to the prior year.

C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current and prior fiscal years.

NET POSITION

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Current assets	\$ 8,267,945	\$ 6,132,149
Noncurrent assets	<u>13,435,473</u>	<u>14,153,116</u> ¹
Total assets	21,703,418	20,285,265
Current liabilities	752,929	654,269
Noncurrent liabilities	892,861	1,255,960
Deferred inflows	<u>4,611,515</u>	<u>3,139,036</u>
Total liabilities and deferred inflows	6,257,305	5,049,265
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	12,220,798	12,544,078 ¹
Restricted	1,456,264	1,213,387
Unrestricted	<u>1,769,051</u>	<u>1,478,535</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 15,446,113</u>	<u>\$ 15,236,000</u>

CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 232,418	\$ 280,329
Operating grants and contributions	217,125	80,254
Capital grants and contributions	304,545	464,179
General revenues:		
Property taxes	2,410,149	2,526,757
Interest, penalties and other taxes	106,953	89,673
Motor vehicle registration fees	865,525	809,960
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	212,432	212,995
Investment income	2,729	1,389
Other	<u>91,763</u>	<u>51,690</u>
Total revenues	4,443,639	4,517,226

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Expenses:		
General government	1,509,247	1,389,605 ¹
Public safety	925,430	1,028,942
Highways and streets	1,264,191	1,068,972
Sanitation	175,439	152,115
Health and welfare	40,466	42,127
Culture and recreation	258,572	245,230
Conservation	12,993	43,974
Interest	47,188	70,782
Total expenses	<u>4,233,526</u>	<u>4,041,747</u>
Change in net position	210,113	475,479
Net position - beginning of year	<u>15,236,000</u> ¹	<u>14,760,521</u> ¹
Net position - end of year	<u>\$ 15,446,113</u>	<u>\$ 15,236,000</u> ¹

¹ Restated from the prior year as described in Note 23.

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, total net position was \$15,446,113, a change of \$210,113 from the prior year.

The largest portion of net position \$12,220,798 reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery, equipment, and infrastructure), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of net position \$1,456,264 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position \$1,769,051 may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

Governmental activities. Governmental activities for the year resulted in a change in net position of \$210,113. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund operations, as discussed further in Section D	\$ 271,504
Nonmajor funds change in fund balance	242,877
Depreciation expense in excess of principal debt service	(371,980)
Capital asset additions funded by operating funds, capital reserve funds, and grants	48,700
Other	<u>19,012</u>
Total	<u>\$ 210,113</u>

D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS

As noted earlier, fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$3,279,765, a change of \$514,381 in comparison to the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

General fund change in fund balance (explained in more detail below)	\$ 271,504
Special revenue funds revenues over expenditures	219,851
Trust fund revenues over expenditures	<u>23,026</u>
Total	<u>\$ 514,381</u>

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$1,188,433, while total fund balance was \$1,823,501. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total general fund expenditures. Refer to the table below.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>6/30/13</u>	<u>6/30/12</u>	<u>Change</u>	% of Total General Fund Expenditures
Unassigned fund balance	\$ 1,188,433	\$ 1,077,491	\$ 110,942	31.8%
Total fund balance ¹	\$ 1,823,501	\$ 1,551,997	\$ 271,504	48.8%

¹Includes capital reserve funds.

The total fund balance of the general fund changed by \$271,504 during the current fiscal year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

Use of fund balance as a funding source	\$ (82,641)
Revenues in excess of budget	412,385
Expenditures in excess of budget	(115,867)
Excess of current year encumbrance over prior year	141,180
Change in capital reserves	(51,381)
Other	<u>(32,172)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 271,504</u>

Included in the total general fund balance are the Town's capital reserve accounts with the following balances:

	<u>6/30/13</u>	<u>6/30/12</u>	<u>Change</u>
Capital reserve funds	\$ 160,433	\$ 211,814	\$ (51,381)

E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

There were no differences between the total original budget and final amended budget, other than reclassifications.

F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital assets. Total investment in capital assets for governmental activities at year-end amounted to \$13,353,558 (net of accumulated depreciation), a change of \$(678,507) from the prior year. This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and improvements, vehicles, machinery and equipment, and infrastructure.

Major capital asset events during the fiscal year included the following:

- \$41,600 for the purchase of fire extrication equipment.
- \$7,100 for the purchase of a highway sander.
- \$(727,207) of current year depreciation expense.

Additional information on capital assets can be found in the Notes to Financial Statements.

Long-term debt. At the end of the current fiscal year, total bonded debt outstanding was \$645,000, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

Additional information on long-term debt can be found in the Notes to Financial Statements.

TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2013

(December 31, 2012 for the Component Unit)

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>	Component <u>Unit</u>
ASSETS		
Current:		
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 6,966,420	\$ 41,053
Investments	1,050,625	-
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:		
Taxes	106,454	-
Intergovernmental	69,494	-
Other	2,256	-
Other assets	72,696	-
Noncurrent:		
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles:		
Taxes	81,915	-
Capital assets:		
Land	5,760,482	-
Other capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	7,593,076	33,058
TOTAL ASSETS	21,703,418	74,111
LIABILITIES		
Current:		
Accounts payable	147,803	-
Accrued liabilities	54,557	-
Tax refunds payable	147,137	-
Other liabilities	-	850
Current portion of long-term liabilities:		
Bonds and notes payable	260,000	3,338
Capital leases	94,299	-
Compensated absences	40,333	-
Landfill post-closure	8,800	-
Noncurrent:		
Bonds and notes payable, net of current portion	385,000	3,059
Capital leases, net of current portion	393,461	-
Landfill post-closure, net of current portion	114,400	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,645,790	7,247
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	4,611,515	-
NET POSITION		
Net investment in capital assets	12,220,798	26,661
Restricted externally or constitutionally for:		
Permanent funds:		
Nonexpendable	744,769	-
Expendable	123,854	-
Grants and other statutory restrictions	587,641	-
Unrestricted	1,769,051	40,203
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 15,446,113	\$ 66,864

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

(December 31, 2012 for the Component Unit)

	Program Revenues			Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Position	
	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Component Unit
Governmental Activities:					
General government	\$ 1,509,247	\$ 30,548	\$ 16,513	\$ (1,462,158)	\$ -
Public safety	925,430	130,081	46,067	(725,455)	-
Highways and streets	1,264,191	-	79,314	(1,056,711)	-
Sanitation	175,439	19,107	-	(156,017)	-
Health and welfare	40,466	-	12,331	(28,135)	-
Culture and recreation	258,572	52,682	40,318	(164,370)	-
Conservation	12,993	-	22,582	160,596	-
Interest	47,188	-	-	(47,188)	-
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 4,233,526	\$ 232,418	\$ 217,125	(3,479,438)	-
Component Unit:					
Spring Hill Farm	\$ 9,387	\$ -	\$ 11,745	-	2,358
		General Revenues:			
		Property taxes		2,410,149	-
		Interest, penalties and other taxes		106,953	-
		Motor vehicle registration fees		865,525	-
		Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs		212,432	-
		Investment income		2,729	77
		Other		91,763	-
		Total general revenues		3,689,551	77
		Change in Net Position		210,113	2,435
Net Position:					
Beginning of year, as restated				15,236,000	64,429
End of year				\$ 15,446,113	\$ 66,864

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TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

BALANCE SHEET

JUNE 30, 2013

	General <u>Fund</u>	Nonmajor Governmental <u>Funds</u>	Total Governmental <u>Funds</u>
ASSETS			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 6,501,455	\$ 464,964	\$ 6,966,420
Investments	160,433	890,193	1,050,625
Receivables:			
Taxes	149,869	38,500	188,369
Intergovernmental	69,494	-	69,494
Other	2,256	-	2,256
Due from other funds	11,375	75,765	87,140
Other assets	71,166	1,530	72,696
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 6,966,048</u>	<u>\$ 1,470,952</u>	<u>\$ 8,437,000</u>
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$ 144,491	\$ 3,313	\$ 147,803
Accrued liabilities	32,988	-	32,989
Tax refunds payable	147,137	-	147,137
Due to other funds	75,765	11,375	87,140
TOTAL LIABILITIES	400,381	14,688	415,069
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	4,742,166	-	4,742,166
FUND BALANCES			
Nonspendable	46,480	744,769	791,249
Restricted	1,559	714,719	716,278
Committed	297,638	-	297,638
Assigned	289,391	-	289,391
Unassigned	1,188,433	(3,224)	1,185,209
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>1,823,501</u>	<u>1,456,264</u>	<u>3,279,765</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 6,966,048</u>	<u>\$ 1,470,952</u>	<u>\$ 8,437,000</u>

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TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND
BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL
ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2013

Total governmental fund balances	\$ 3,279,765
• Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	13,353,558
• Revenues are reported on the accrual basis of accounting and are not deferred until collection.	130,651
• In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in governmental funds interest is not reported until due.	(21,568)
• Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	<u>(1,296,293)</u>
Net position of governmental activities	\$ <u>15,446,113</u>

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TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

	General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:			
Property taxes	\$ 2,473,268	\$ -	\$ 2,473,268
Interest, penalties and other taxes	106,953	151,007	257,960
Licenses, permits and fees	942,814	16,433	959,247
Intergovernmental	449,885	24,023	473,908
Charges for services	86,261	106,882	193,143
Investment income	(1,613)	46,228	44,615
Other revenues	61,998	42,619	104,617
Total Revenues	4,119,566	387,192	4,506,758
Expenditures:			
Current:			
General government	1,385,826	16,797	1,402,623
Public safety	842,989	67,506	910,495
Highways and streets	760,103	-	760,103
Sanitation	174,265	-	174,265
Health and welfare	39,012	1,455	40,467
Culture and recreation	73,620	168,483	242,103
Conservation	688	2,039	2,727
Debt service	407,254	-	407,254
Capital outlay	52,340	-	52,340
Total Expenditures	3,736,097	256,280	3,992,377
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	383,469	130,912	514,381
Other Financing Sources (Uses):			
Transfers in	355	112,320	112,675
Transfers out	(112,320)	(355)	(112,675)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(111,965)	111,965	-
Change in fund balance	271,504	242,877	514,381
Fund Equity, at Beginning of Year	1,551,997	1,213,387	2,765,384
Fund Equity, at End of Year	\$ 1,823,501	\$ 1,456,264	\$ 3,279,765

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TOWN OF CHESTER NEW HAMPSHIRE

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES
EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

Net changes in fund balances - total governmental funds **\$ 514,381**

- Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense:

Capital outlay purchases, net	48,700
Depreciation	(727,207)

- Revenues in the Statement of Activities that do not provide current financial resources are fully deferred in the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances. Therefore, the recognition of revenue for various types of accounts receivable (i.e., real estate and personal property, motor vehicle excise, etc.) differ between the two statements. This amount represents the net change in deferred revenue. (63,118)

- The issuance of long-term debt (e.g., bonds and capital leases) provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position:

Repayments of debt (bonds and capital leases)	355,227
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- In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding long-term debt, whereas in governmental funds interest is not reported until due. 4,839

- Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities, such as compensated absences and estimated landfill post-closure costs, do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. 77,291

Change in net position of governmental activities **\$ 210,113**

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TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES, AND EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>		
Revenues and Other Sources:				
Property taxes	\$ 2,506,150	\$ 2,506,150	\$ 2,506,150	\$ -
Interest, penalties and other taxes	45,500	45,500	104,794	59,294
Licenses, permits and fees	831,000	831,000	942,814	111,814
Intergovernmental	400,349	400,349	449,885	49,536
Charges for services	79,330	79,330	86,261	6,931
Investment income	4,800	4,800	2,728	(2,072)
Other revenues	43,960	43,960	62,393	18,433
Other financing sources:				
Transfers in	21,686	21,686	190,135	168,449
Use of fund balance	82,641	82,641	82,641	-
Total Revenues and Other Sources	4,015,416	4,015,416	4,427,801	412,385
Expenditures and Other Uses:				
Current:				
General government	1,390,064	1,373,908	1,393,660	(19,752)
Public safety	818,579	833,108	842,974	(9,866)
Highways and streets	619,983	620,765	761,119	(140,354)
Sanitation	172,895	173,549	169,284	4,265
Health and welfare	69,510	69,510	38,997	30,513
Culture and recreation	195,042	195,233	183,484	11,749
Conservation	1,720	1,720	1,720	-
Debt service	407,256	407,256	407,254	2
Capital outlay	197,476	197,476	189,900	7,576
Other financing uses:				
Transfers out	142,891	142,891	142,891	-
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	4,015,416	4,015,416	4,131,283	(115,867)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other sources over expenditures and other uses	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 296,518	\$ 296,518

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TOWN OF CHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2013

	Agency Funds
<u>ASSETS</u>	
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 248,152
Investments	<u>394,297</u>
Total Assets	642,449
<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Accounts payable	3,132
Road bonds	242,886
School trust funds	<u>396,431</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 642,449</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OR CITY BUDGET

Enter TOWN/CITY Name Here >

CHESTER, NH

Enter Calendar Reporting Year Here >

N/A

(January 1 to December 31)

Enter Optional Reporting Year Here >

6/30/2013

(July 1 to June 30)

DOES THE TOWN/CITY ACCOUNT FOR SOME
EXPENDITURES AS PROPRIETARY FUNDS
OR CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS?

YES

Enter Yes or No in box above & see instructions.

Enter town or city name in cell C5 and calendar reporting year for this report in C7 (optional reporting year in cell C9).
In cell C12 enter yes if the municipality accounts for some expenditures as proprietary or capital project funds.

State of New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

Municipal Services Division

P.O. Box 487

Concord, NH 03302-0487

Telephone: (603) 230-5090

Return Completed Form By April 1 For Calendar Fiscal Year and By September 1 for Optional Fiscal Year

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

Date Signed: 10/31/13

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that to the best of my belief, the information contained in this report is true, correct and complete.

Stephen O. Anderson (Seal)
John M. [Signature]
Richard J. [Signature]
Joseph [Signature]

[Signature]

PREPARER

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that to the best of my belief, the information contained in this report is true, correct and complete. (If prepared by a person other than the city/town officials, this declaration is based on all information of which the preparer has knowledge.)

Preparer (Please print or type)

Frank Biron, Melanson Heath & Company, PC

Signature

Frank A. Biron

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Monday - Friday (8 - 5)

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P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)230-5090

Reporting Year =

N/A

OP FY Reporting Year = 6/30/2013

1	2	3	4	5
Acct. #	EXPENDITURE	Voted Appropriations Final MS-2	Other Authorizations* Explain Below	Actual Expenditures
GENERAL GOVERNMENT TOTAL =		1,405,945	(19,232)	1,420,424
show detail below				
4130-4139	Executive	127,491	(17,819)	104,373
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	16,241	52,549	62,328
4150-4151	Financial Administration	131,851	52,684	159,122
4152	Property Assessment	65,769	2,101	67,624
4153	Legal Expense	55,000		74,859
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	474,499		553,387
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	59,440	1,817	58,177
4194	General Government Buildings	257,492	307	243,723
4195	Cemeteries	21,964	1,300	22,806
4196	Insurance	69,228		67,608
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	6,799		6,417
4199	Other General Government	120,171	(112,171)	0
PUBLIC SAFETY TOTAL =		818,579	14,529	842,974
show detail below				
4210-4214	Police	430,950	11,910	441,132
4215-4219	Ambulance	53,593		53,779
4220-4229	Fire	274,235	2,188	288,259
4240-4249	Building Inspection	52,300	431	49,916
4290-4298	Emergency Management	7,501	(6,000)	4,123
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)	0	6,000	5,765
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER TOTAL =		0	0	0
show detail below				
4301-4309	Airport Operations	0		
HIGHWAYS & STREETS TOTAL =		619,983	110,751	760,058
show detail below				
4311	Administration			
4312	Highways & Streets	616,383	110,751	755,893
4313	Bridges			
4316	Street Lighting	3,600		4,165
4319	Other			
SANITATION TOTAL =		172,895	5,635	174,265
show detail below				
4321	Administration	172,895	(172,895)	
4323	Solid Waste Collection			
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		165,330	162,648
4325	Solid Waste Facility Clean-up		13,200	11,617
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other			
Page Sub-Totals		3,017,402	111,683	3,197,721

Acct. #	Explanation for "Other Authorizations" (Column 4) (Examples: Emergency expenditure; non-lapsing appropriations; grants; agents on capital reserve or trust, transfers)
Various	Prior year encumbrance carried forward and expended in the current year
Various	Reclassify budgeted pooled salary adjustments to applicable departments
Various	Reclassify amounts to categories as budgeted on Town's general ledger

1	2	3	4	5
Acct. #	EXPENDITURE	Voted Appropriations Final MS-2	Other Authorizations* Explain Below	Actual Expenditures
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT = show detail below	0	0	0
4331	Administration			
4332	Water Services			
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other			
	ELECTRIC = show detail below	0	0	0
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation			
4353	Purchase Costs			
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance			
4359	Other Electric Costs			
	HEALTH = show detail below	22,001	0	22,000
4411	Administration			
4414	Pest Control	1		0
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	22,000		22,000
	WELFARE = show detail below	47,509	0	16,997
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	43,170		12,658
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pyrmts	4,339		4,339
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other			
	CULTURE & RECREATION = show detail below	195,042	8,072	183,839
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	54,496	9,728	53,262
4550-4559	Library	111,288		111,288
4583	Patriotic Purposes	7,350		7,348
4589	Other Culture & Recreation	21,908	(1,656)	11,941
	CONSERVATION = show detail below	1,720	0	1,720
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources	1,720		1,720
4619	Other Conservation			
4631-4632	Redevelopment and Housing			
4651-4659	Economic Development			
	DEBT SERVICE = show detail below	407,256	0	407,254
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes	355,228		355,227
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	52,028		52,027
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes			
4790-4799	Other Debt Service			
	Page Sub-Totals	673,528	8,072	631,810

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Financial Report of the Budget - Town of

CHESTER, NH

Reporting Year =

N/A

OP FY Reporting Year = 6/30/2013

1	2	3	4	5
Acct. #	EXPENDITURE	Voted Appropriations Final MS-2	Other Authorizations* Explain Below	Actual Expenditures
	CAPITAL OUTLAY	181,595	0	52,340
	show detail below			
4901	Land	45,000		5,500
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	41,650		41,600
4903	Buildings			
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.	94,945		5,240
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	142,891	0	142,891
	show detail below			
4912	To Special Revenue Fund			
4913	To Capital Projects Fund			
4914	To Enterprise Fund			
	- Sewer			
	- Water			
	- Electric			
	- Airport			
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund	142,891		142,891
4916	To Expend.Trust Fund - not #4917			
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds			
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds			
4919	To Fiduciary Funds			
	Page Sub-Totals	324,486	0	195,231
	Total Local Expenditure Sub-Totals	4,015,416	119,755	4,024,762
PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
4931	Taxes Assessed for County	481,977		481,977
4932	Taxes Assessed for Village Dist.			
4933	Taxes Assessed for Local Educ.	6,657,544		6,657,544
4934	Taxes Assessed for State Educ.	1,137,763		1,137,763
4939	Payments to Other Governments			
	Less Proprietary Funds, Special Revenue Funds, or Capital Project Funds			
TOTAL GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES		12,292,700	119,755	12,302,046

Acct. #	Explanation for "Other Authorizations" (Column 4) (Examples: Emergency expenditure; non-lapsing appropriations; grants; agents on capital reserve or trust, transfers)

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1	2	3	4
Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenues Used to Set Tax Rate	Actual Revenues
	TAXES	10,828,934	10,792,967
3110	Property Taxes (commitment less overlay)	10,783,434	10,688,173
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund		
3121	Land Use Change Taxes - Conservation Fund		
3180	Resident Taxes		
3185	Timber Taxes	5,000	7,884
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)	500	829
3189	Other Taxes		
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes	24,000	76,734
	Inventory Penalties	16,000	19,347
	LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES	831,000	942,814
3210	Business Licenses & Permits	9,700	618
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	759,600	865,525
3230	Building Permits	55,700	62,264
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees	6,000	14,407
3311-3319	From Federal Government		118,615
	FROM STATE	400,349	331,270
3351	Shared Revenues		
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	212,466	212,432
3353	Highway Block Grant	118,357	118,053
3354	Water Pollution Grant		
3355	Housing & Community Development		
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement		
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)	69,526	785
3379	From Other Governments		
	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	79,330	86,261
3401-3406	Income from Departments	79,330	47,352
3409	Other Charges		38,909
	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	48,760	94,469
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		
3502	Interest on Investments	4,800	2,728
3503-3509	Other	43,960	91,741
	INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN	21,686	195,416
3912	From Special Revenue Funds	7,881	355
3913	From Capital Projects Funds		
3914	From Enterprise Funds		
	Sewer - (Offset)		
	Water - (Offset)		
	Electric - (Offset)		
	Airport - (Offset)		
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	13,805	195,061
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds		
3917	Transfers from Conservation Fund		
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	0	0
3934	Proceeds from Long Term Bonds & Notes		
Less Proprietary Funds, Special Revenue Funds or Capital Project Funds			
	TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUE	12,210,059	12,561,812

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General Fund Balance Sheet for Town of		CHESTER, NH	N/A
		or Optional Reporting Year =	6/30/2013
A. ASSETS	Acct. #	Beginning of Year	End of year
Current assets	(a)	(b)	(c)
a. Cash and equivalents	1010	4,226,291	6,501,455
b. Investments	1030		
c. Restricted Assets			
d. Taxes receivable (See Section D, page 7)	1080	3,091	932
e. Tax liens receivable (See Section D, page 7)	1110	220,093	148,937
f. Accounts receivable	1150	319	2,256
g. Due from other governments	1260	237,371	69,494
h. Due from other funds	1310	35,321	11,375
i. Other current assets	1400	68,084	70,375
j. Tax deeded property (subject to resale)	1670	36,172	791
TOTAL ASSETS		4,826,742	6,805,615
B. LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	Acct. #	Beginning of Year	End of year
Current liabilities	(a)	(b)	(c)
a. Warrants and accounts payable	2020	150,849	177,479
b. Compensated absences payable	2030		
c. Contracts payable	2050		
d. Due to other governments	2070		
e. Due to school districts	2075		
f. Due to other funds	2080	1,154	75,765
g. Deferred revenue	2220	3,139,036	4,611,515
h. Notes payable - Current	2230		
i. Bonds payable - Current	2250		
j. Other payables	2270	1,750	147,137
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		3,292,789	5,011,896
Fund equity			
a. Nonspendable Fund Balance	2440	48,407	46,480
b. Restricted Fund Balance	2450	1,244	1,559
c. Committed Fund Balance	2460		137,205
d. Assigned Fund Balance	2490	213,041	289,391
e. Unassigned Fund Balance	2530	1,271,261	1,319,084
TOTAL FUND EQUITY		1,533,953	1,793,719
3. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		4,826,742	6,805,615

Note: To be GASB 34 compliant, the fund balance classifications have changed. See the called Fund Balance Explanation.

NOTE: NH law requires all municipalities to gross appropriate, but this balance sheet only reflects the general fund. See the municipality's audited financials for more information on proprietary funds, special revenue, or capital project funds.

REPORT OF TRUST AND CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

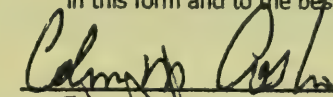
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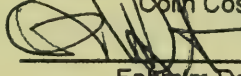
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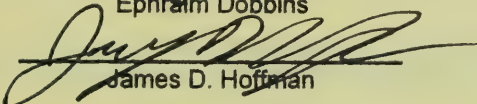
Town/City Of: Chester**For Year Ended:** 2013CONTACT PERSON: Colin CostinePHONE: 603-887-4045EMAIL: summitsp@hotmail.com

CERTIFICATE

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.


 Colin Costine


 Ephraim Dobbins


 James D. Hoffman

Sign in Ink

Signed by the Trustees of Trust Funds
on this date 9-11-13

REMINDERS FOR TRUSTEES

- 1. SIGNATURE** - Sign in ink on lines provided above.
- 2. INVESTMENT POLICY** - RSA 31:25 requires the trustees to adopt an investment policy and review and confirm this policy at least annually. A copy of this policy must be filed with the Director of Charitable Trusts (RSA 31:25, 34:5, 35:9).
- 3. PROFESSIONAL BANKING AND BROKERAGE ASSISTANCE** - RSA 31:38-a allows trustees to use professional banking or brokerage firm assistance. Refer to the law for further information. Attributable expenses may be charged against the trust fund involved, however, please be advised the fees can be taken from income only and not from principal.
- 4. WEB SITE** - A trustee handbook can be down loaded from the web site for the Attorney General's Charitable Trust Division. www.doj.nh.gov/charitable
- 5. FAIR VALUE** - Complete the corresponding lines on page 4 to disclose the fair value (market value) of principal only. This information may be obtained from financial publications or from professional banking or brokerage services.
- 6. CAPITAL RESERVE FUND** - Must be maintained separately on the books of the town. The assets of such funds may be pooled in order to invest in a broader range of investments to maximize growth and mitigate risk (RSA 35:9).
- 7. WHEN and WHERE TO FILE** - By March 1 if filing for a calendar year and by September 1 if filing for optional fiscal year. See addresses on page 4 of this form. If the trustees hold funds for the school, the school business administrator will also need a copy for the school's financial report.

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MS-9
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MS-9 REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF CHESTER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2013

TRUST FUNDS					PRINCIPAL				INCOME				TOTAL		MARKET VALUE	
Date Created	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Fund	How Invested	%	Beginning Balance	Additions	Capital Gains/-Losses	Withdrawals	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Amount	Expended During Year	Ending Balance	Principal & Income	Unrealized Gain/Loss	Ending Market Value
Cemetery Trusts																
Perpetual Care																
1918	Albert Kripper	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1919	Joseph Knowles	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1919	Robert & Rebecca Knowles	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1920	Elizabeth L Kent	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1922	John S. Emery	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1922	George Wells	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1922	Amos Green	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1923	Moses Phigee	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1924	Daniel Bell	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1923	Silas F. Leamard	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1918	Sarah V. Lane	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1919	John West	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1920	John West 2nd	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1921	Page Reed Smith	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.29	89.85	0.00	8.87	0.00	98.72	0.00	2.97	0.00	2.97	101.69	-1.33	100.36
1921	Sally Lovering Sleeper	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.15	44.93	0.00	4.43	0.00	49.36	0.00	1.48	0.00	1.48	50.84	-0.67	50.17
1921	Joseph Dane	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1921	Mary E. Bean	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1922	Charles H. Green	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1923	Samuel S. Warren	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1923	Mark Sanborn	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1923	Herbert W. Roble	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1906	William W. White	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.28	84.26	0.00	8.32	0.00	92.58	0.00	2.79	0.00	2.79	95.37	-1.25	94.12
1908	Edmund Sleeper	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.17	50.55	0.00	4.99	0.00	55.54	0.00	1.68	0.00	1.68	57.22	-0.75	56.47
1910	Sarah A. True	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.28	84.26	0.00	8.32	0.00	92.58	0.00	2.79	0.00	2.79	95.37	-1.25	94.12
1910	Henry Moore	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.22	67.41	0.00	6.65	0.00	74.06	0.00	2.21	0.00	2.21	76.27	-1.00	75.27
1911	Samuel S. Parker	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.15	44.93	0.00	4.43	0.00	49.36	0.00	1.48	0.00	1.48	50.84	-0.67	50.17
1916	Charles Stevens	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.22	67.41	0.00	6.65	0.00	74.06	0.00	2.21	0.00	2.21	76.27	-1.00	75.27
1917	Oren F. Page	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.15	44.93	0.00	4.43	0.00	49.36	0.00	1.48	0.00	1.48	50.84	-0.67	50.17
1917	David Lane	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.26	78.63	0.00	7.76	0.00	86.39	0.00	2.63	0.00	2.63	88.02	-1.17	87.85
1928	Amos Hazleton	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.28	84.26	0.00	8.32	0.00	92.58	0.00	2.79	0.00	2.79	95.37	-1.25	94.12
1928	George Herman Jack	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.22	67.41	0.00	6.65	0.00	74.06	0.00	2.21	0.00	2.21	76.27	-1.00	75.27
1925	Ephraim Orcutt	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1929	Augustus P. Morse	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1929	Charles F. True	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1931	French - Heath	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1929	Mary E. Merrill	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.09	28.09	0.00	2.77	0.00	30.86	0.00	0.92	0.00	0.92	31.78	-0.42	31.36

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Cemetery Trusts																
Perpetual Care																
1931	Hannah M. Sawyer	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1931	James Delaney	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.28	84.26	0.00	8.32	0.00	92.58	0.00	2.79	0.00	2.79	95.37	-1.25	94.12
1936	William F. Warren	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1909	Hannah M. Williams	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1912	Lot Knowles	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1916	Charles H. Knowles	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1917	Hills Stevens	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1918	Caroline M. Hall	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1919	Parker Morse	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1919	George Marden	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1924	James W. Gordon	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1924	James H. Hardy	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1925	George S. West	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1908	Luther W. Hall	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1911	Charles A. Dearborn	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1911	Reverend Charles Tenney	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1916	Joan Hazelton	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1925	Lydra J. Ramsey	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1926	Helen F. Soule	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1928	James & J. Albert Hook	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1930	Arthur I Moore & Harry Roberts	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1932	Cyrus F. Marston	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1833	Gerah	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1834	Lucy Lawrence	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1835	Joseph Webster	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1937	Valeria A. Towle	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1937	Mabel J. Brickett	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1937	Charles E. Cook	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1937	Moses Webster	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1937	Melvin	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1938	Thomas J. Melvin	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1939	Chester Noyes Greenough	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1939	E. G. Buflum	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1939	Susie Smith	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1940	George Mackintosh	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1941	Lewis Kimball	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46

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Cemetery Trusts																
Perpetual Care																
1941	Eva Underhill	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1941	Mary A. Owen	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1942	Mary J. Maple	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1942	William Greenough	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1942	Arthur Leighton	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1942	William P. Nichols	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1942	Justine P. Creamer	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1945	Adelle F. Watkins	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1955	Leon G. Simonds	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1920	To be determined	Village Cemetery	Common TF	3.69	1,123.28	0.00	110.86	0.00	1,234.14	0.00	37.25	0.00	37.25	1,271.39	-16.66	1,254.73
1904	John W. Noyes	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.11	336.97	0.00	33.26	0.00	370.23	0.00	11.17	0.00	11.17	381.40	-5.00	376.40
1915	Jonathan Pressay	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.17	50.55	0.00	4.99	0.00	55.54	0.00	1.68	0.00	1.68	57.22	-0.75	56.47
1910	George W. Stevens	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.25	381.69	0.00	37.67	0.00	419.36	0.00	12.68	0.00	12.68	432.04	-5.66	426.38
1914	Cynthia J. Brown	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1918	George L. Converse	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1926	Mills E. Wilson	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.92	280.82	0.00	27.72	0.00	308.54	0.00	9.31	0.00	9.31	317.85	-4.17	313.68
1931	George A. Hosley	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1929	John C. Chase	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1932	George F. West	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.68	207.82	0.00	20.51	0.00	228.33	0.00	6.90	0.00	6.90	235.23	-3.08	232.15
1932	Mills Family	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1933	A. H. Wilcomb	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.84	488.75	0.00	49.22	0.00	547.97	0.00	16.53	0.00	16.53	564.50	-7.40	557.10
1932	John F. & Jennie Green	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1935	Ellen A. Gates	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1937	Fred B. & Alice E. Boyles	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1938	James Marden	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.15	44.93	0.00	4.43	0.00	49.36	0.00	1.48	0.00	1.48	50.84	-0.67	50.17
1939	Frances L. Hazleton	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1940	Magdalena Robbs	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1940	John H. Robie	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1941	Sanborn - Morse	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.92	280.82	0.00	27.72	0.00	308.54	0.00	9.31	0.00	9.31	317.85	-4.17	313.68
1941	Edward T. Morse	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1942	Isabella C. Clark	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1942	Lida E. Crawford	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.11	336.97	0.00	33.26	0.00	370.23	0.00	11.17	0.00	11.17	381.40	-5.00	376.40
1943	Minnie D. French	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1945	Anna M. Wakefield	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1947	George S. Webster	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1951	Mansur & Seibert	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.64	196.58	0.00	19.40	0.00	215.98	0.00	6.51	0.00	6.51	222.49	-2.92	219.57

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Cemetery Trusts																
Perpetual Care																
1952	Mary J & Sarah J. Lovering; John L. Hermon	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1953	Nellie W. Kearns	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.92	280.82	0.00	27.72	0.00	308.54	0.00	9.31	0.00	9.31	317.85	-4.17	313.68
1953	Nathan W. Goldsmith	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1958	Alma Watts Wheeler	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1958	Orlando H. Underhill	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1959	Myron F. Brown	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1960	Harriette E. & Walter E. Drowne	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1961	George D. Rand	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1961	Fred G. Bartlett	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.47	449.32	0.00	44.35	0.00	493.67	0.00	14.92	0.00	14.92	508.59	-6.66	501.93
1961	Albert M. Hardy	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1961	George Hook	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1962	Robinson - Martin	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.41	123.56	0.00	12.19	0.00	135.75	0.00	4.10	0.00	4.10	139.85	-1.83	138.02
1962	Wallace L. Kimball	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1963	Elizabeth Mills & Georgia Moulton	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.50	151.64	0.00	14.97	0.00	166.61	0.00	5.03	0.00	5.03	171.64	-2.25	169.39
1963	John Wason	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1963	Etta F. Purinton	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1964	Grant - Starbird	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1933	Buzzell A. Follansbee	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.22	67.41	0.00	6.65	0.00	74.06	0.00	2.21	0.00	2.21	76.27	-1.00	75.27
1933	Carlos W. Noyes	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.28	84.26	0.00	8.32	0.00	92.58	0.00	2.79	0.00	2.79	95.37	-1.25	94.12
1950	William Finnigan	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1950	Victoria J. Brown	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1954	Moses Tewksbury	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.11	336.97	0.00	33.26	0.00	370.23	0.00	11.17	0.00	11.17	381.40	-5.00	376.40
1954	Weeks & Forsaith	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1955	Rufus Forsaith	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1965	Henry H. & Emeline T. Lane	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1968	Warren F. Robinson	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1968	Inez Stowe Henderson and Hazel L. Stone	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1968	Hazel Butler Hurd	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1968	Chris Hans Pomph	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1969	Fitts & Hunt	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1969	Charles H. Edwards	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1970	Amos E. & Mary A. Hazeltun	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.11	336.97	0.00	33.26	0.00	370.23	0.00	11.17	0.00	11.17	381.40	-5.00	376.40
1953	Faish G. Lewis	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1971	John F. Robie	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1971	Leon B. Richardson	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97

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Cemetery Trusts																
Perpetual Care																
1972	Woodbury Warsters	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1972	John M. Webster	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1973	Victor & Perley Spollett	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.11	336.97	0.00	33.26	0.00	370.23	0.00	11.17	0.00	11.17	381.40	-5.00	376.40
1973	Loren P. Rand	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1973	North Chester Ladies Aid	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.11	336.97	0.00	33.26	0.00	370.23	0.00	11.17	0.00	11.17	381.40	-5.00	376.40
1973	Adams - Richardson	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.74	224.66	0.00	22.17	0.00	246.83	0.00	7.47	0.00	7.47	254.30	-3.33	250.97
1975	Margaret L. Ross	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.18	56.16	0.00	5.54	0.00	61.70	0.00	1.87	0.00	1.87	63.57	-0.83	62.74
1978	Ethel L. Hills	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1968	French Addition	Village Cemetery	Common TF	2.64	806.06	0.00	79.55	0.00	885.61	0.00	26.72	0.00	26.72	912.33	-11.96	900.37
1949	Robert Hazleton	Village Cemetery	Common TF	5.11	1,558.99	0.00	153.86	0.00	1,712.85	0.00	51.68	0.00	51.68	1,764.53	-23.12	1,741.41
1963	Edward J. & Rhoda K. Murphy	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.47	449.32	0.00	44.35	0.00	493.67	0.00	14.92	0.00	14.92	508.59	-6.66	501.93
1963	Dorothy Everett	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.84	561.65	0.00	55.43	0.00	617.08	0.00	18.63	0.00	18.63	635.71	-8.33	627.38
1948	John G. Lang	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1948	Edwin Jones	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1948	Osgood Richards	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1949	Preston E. Goodrich	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.55	168.50	0.00	16.63	0.00	185.13	0.00	5.59	0.00	5.59	190.72	-2.50	188.22
1950	William H. West, Arthur H. West and George West	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.92	280.82	0.00	27.72	0.00	308.54	0.00	9.31	0.00	9.31	317.85	-4.17	313.68
1950	William A. Moore	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1951	George E. Gillingham	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.11	336.97	0.00	33.26	0.00	370.23	0.00	11.17	0.00	11.17	381.40	-5.00	376.40
1951	J. Wesley Smith	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1958	Arthur M. & Guy Lawrence Basford	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1959	Susie M. Gillingham	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.11	336.97	0.00	33.26	0.00	370.23	0.00	11.17	0.00	11.17	381.40	-5.00	376.40
1979	Austin Lane	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.37	112.33	0.00	11.09	0.00	123.42	0.00	3.71	0.00	3.71	127.13	-1.67	125.46
1905	Lester Mitchell	Village Cemetery	Common TF	2.10	638.64	0.00	63.03	0.00	701.67	0.00	21.16	0.00	21.16	722.83	-9.47	713.36
2011	Dianne F. & Frank M. Carrio, Sr.	Village Cemetery	Common TF	2.95	880.88	0.00	88.71	0.00	987.59	0.00	30.04	0.00	30.04	1,017.63	-13.34	1,004.29
2012	Glenn V., Darlene L. & Brandon Myers	Village Cemetery	Common TF	1.97	600.00	0.00	59.22	0.00	659.22	0.00	19.88	0.00	19.88	678.10	-8.90	670.20
2012	Nicholas, Janet & Kelsey Myers	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.98	380.00	0.00	29.61	0.00	399.61	0.00	9.95	0.00	9.95	399.56	-4.45	395.11
2012	James Hinchuk	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.33	100.00	0.00	9.87	0.00	109.87	0.00	3.32	0.00	3.32	113.19	-1.48	111.71
1013	Eileen Tully	Village Cemetery	Common TF	0.89	0.00	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	7.56	0.00	7.56	307.56	-4.03	303.53
Total Perpetual Care					30,209.03	300.00	2,981.56	0.00	33,490.59	0.00	1,009.25	0.00	1,009.25	34,499.84	-452.25	34,047.59
Perpetual Care - French Plot																
1946	Amos Tuck French Trust-968	Perpetual Care French Plot	Common TF	100.00	5,321.93	0.00	525.24	0.00	5,847.17	0.00	97.26	0.00	97.26	5,944.43	-77.90	5,866.53
Total Perpetual Care - French Plot					5,321.93	0.00	525.24	0.00	5,847.17	0.00	97.26	0.00	97.26	5,944.43	-77.90	5,866.53

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Cemetery Trusts

Burial Trusts

1946	Great Hill Cemetery Trust	Great Hill Cemetery	Common TF	100.00	57,608.36	0.00	13,227.93	0.00	70,836.29	76,421.42	2,449.91	0.00	78,871.33	149,707.62	-1,961.85	147,745.77
Total Burial Trusts																
				100	57,608.36	0.00	13,227.93	0.00	70,836.29	76,421.42	2,449.91	0.00	78,871.33	149,707.62	-1,961.85	147,745.77
Total Cemetery Trusts																
				100	93,139.32	300.00	16,734.73	0.00	110,174.05	76,421.42	3,556.42	0.00	79,977.84	190,151.09	-2,492.00	187,659.09

Fire Department

1978	Ruth Ray Trust	Fire Prevention Equipment	Common TF	4.46	5,443.21	0.00	537.21	0.00	5,980.42	0.00	98.48	0.00	99.49	6,079.91	-79.67	6,000.24
1983	E. Mackintosh Trust	Fire Dept. Undesignated	Common TF	0.89	1,088.65	0.00	107.44	0.00	1,196.09	0.00	19.88	0.00	19.88	1,215.97	-15.93	1,200.04
1986	Dean T. Leighton Trust	Fire Dept. Undesignated	Common TF	3.56	4,346.82	0.00	429.01	0.00	4,775.83	0.00	79.46	0.00	79.46	4,855.29	-63.63	4,791.66
1988	Rhonda A. Murphy Trust	Fire Dept. Undesignated	Common TF	91.08	111,105.18	0.00	10,965.41	0.00	122,070.59	0.00	2,030.89	23.70	2,007.19	124,077.78	-1,625.98	122,451.80
Total Fire Department																
				100	121,983.86	0.00	12,039.07	0.00	134,022.93	0.00	2,229.72	23.70	2,206.02	136,228.95	-1,785.21	134,443.74

Libraries

Public Library

1910	George W. Sowers Trust	Public Library	Common TF	0.10	373.90	0.00	36.90	0.00	410.80	0.00	6.85	0.00	6.85	417.65	-5.47	412.18
1831	John C. Chase Trust	Public Library	Common TF	0.15	550.16	0.00	54.30	0.00	604.46	0.00	10.06	0.00	10.06	614.52	-8.05	606.47
1988	Dorothy Shedd Memorial Trust	Public Library	Common TF	0.15	550.16	0.00	54.30	0.00	604.46	0.00	10.06	0.00	10.06	614.52	-8.05	606.47
1991	Mea M. Lindgren Trust	Public Library	Common TF	0.15	550.16	0.00	54.30	0.00	604.46	0.00	10.06	0.00	10.06	614.52	-8.05	606.47
1979	Ruth Ray Trust (80% Public Library)	Public Library	Common TF	67.81	251,723.42	0.00	24,843.48	0.00	276,566.90	0.00	4,601.21	54.00	4,547.21	281,114.11	-3,683.75	277,430.36
1988	Rhonda A. Murphy Trust	Public Library	Common TF	30.18	112,035.23	0.00	11,057.26	0.00	123,093.09	0.00	2,047.90	24.00	2,023.90	125,116.99	-1,639.60	123,477.39
1986	Mary E. Dodge Trust	Public Library	Common TF	1.46	5,417.83	0.00	534.71	0.00	5,952.54	0.00	99.04	0.00	99.04	6,051.58	-79.30	5,972.28
Total Public Library																
				100	371,201.46	0.00	36,835.25	0.00	407,836.71	0.00	6,785.18	78.00	6,707.18	414,543.89	-5,432.27	409,111.62

School Library

1985	Dr. James Brown School Books	School Library	Common TF	3.17	5,501.73	0.00	542.99	0.00	6,044.72	0.00	100.57	0.00	100.57	6,145.29	-80.53	6,064.76
1979	Ruth Ray Trust (40% School Library)	School Library	Common TF	96.83	167,815.61	0.00	16,562.39	0.00	184,378.00	0.00	3,067.51	36.00	3,031.51	187,409.51	-2,455.92	184,953.59
Total School Library																
				100	173,317.34	0.00	17,105.38	0.00	190,422.72	0.00	3,168.08	36.00	3,132.08	193,554.80	-2,536.45	191,018.35
Total Libraries																
				100	544,518.80	0.00	53,740.63	0.00	598,259.43	0.00	9,953.26	114.00	9,839.26	608,098.69	-7,968.72	600,129.97

Town Poor

1915	Wilcomb Home Trust	Town Poor	Common TF	5.04	4,762.89	0.00	470.07	0.00	5,232.96	0.00	87.07	0.00	87.07	5,320.03	-69.72	5,250.31
1905	Lydia A. Newell Trust	Town Poor	Common TF	15.54	14,685.24	0.00	1,449.35	0.00	16,134.59	0.00	268.43	0.00	268.43	16,403.02	-214.95	16,188.07
1946	Wilcomb-Townsend Home Trust I	Town Poor	Common TF	20.74	19,598.16	0.00	1,934.22	0.00	21,532.38	0.00	358.25	0.00	358.25	21,890.03	-286.87	21,603.16

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Town Poor																
1960	Wilcomb-Townsend Home Trust II	Town Poor	Common TF	8.32	7,850.13	0.00	775.65	0.00	8,634.78	0.00	143.65	0.00	143.65	8,778.43	-115.04	8,663.39
1946	Wilcomb-Townsend Home Trust III	Town Poor	Common TF	11.45	10,816.97	0.00	1,067.77	0.00	11,886.74	0.00	197.75	0.00	197.75	12,084.49	-158.36	11,926.13
1972	Wilcomb-Townsend Home Trust IV	Town Poor	Common TF	5.89	5,565.29	0.00	549.26	0.00	6,114.55	0.00	101.74	0.00	101.74	6,216.29	-81.46	6,134.83
1982	Wilcomb-Townsend Home Trust V	Town Poor	Common TF	5.63	5,323.03	0.00	525.35	0.00	5,848.38	0.00	97.29	0.00	97.29	5,945.67	-77.92	5,867.75
1984	Wilcomb-Townsend Trust I	Town Poor	Common TF	18.77	17,740.91	0.00	1,750.92	0.00	19,491.83	0.00	324.31	0.00	324.31	19,816.14	-259.68	19,556.46
1983	Wilcomb-Townsend Trust II	Town Poor	Common TF	7.49	7,080.15	0.00	698.77	0.00	7,778.92	0.00	129.44	0.00	129.44	7,908.36	-103.64	7,804.72
1905	Wilcomb-Townsend Drawing Fund	Town Poor	Common TF	1.13	1,067.91	0.00	105.40	0.00	1,173.31	0.00	19.53	0.00	19.53	1,192.84	-15.83	1,177.21
Total Town Poor				100	94,501.68	0.00	9,326.76	0.00	103,828.44	0.00	1,727.46	0.00	1,727.46	105,555.90	-1,383.27	104,172.63
GRAND TOTAL: TRUST FUNDS					854,143.66	300.00	91,841.19	0.00	946,284.85	76,421.42	17,466.96	137.70	93,750.50	1,040,035.43	-13,629.20	1,026,406.23

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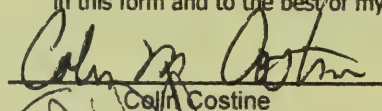
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS					PRINCIPAL			INCOME			TOTAL	MARKET VALUE				
Date Cre- ated	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Fund	How Invested	%	Beginning Balance	Additions	Capital Gains/ -Losses	With- drawals	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Amount	Expended During Year	Ending Balance	Principal & Income	Unrealized Gain/Loss	Ending Market Value
School																
2012	Tuition Capital Reserve Fund	Tuition	Common CRF	13.99	0.00	30,000.00	-7.84	0.00	29,992.16	0.00	173.06	0.00	173.06	30,165.22	-987.30	29,177.92
2000	School Building Maintenance Fund-993	School Repairs	Common CRF	50.92	82,375.00	55,000.00	-28.86	30,000.00	107,346.14	1,868.28	592.26	15.00	2,445.54	109,781.68	-3,593.42	106,188.26
2008	Children with Disabilities Fund-636	Special Education	Common CRF	35.09	75,000.00	0.00	-19.68	0.00	74,980.32	243.51	435.70	15.29	683.92	75,644.24	-2,475.81	73,168.43
Total School					100	157,375.00	85,000.00	-56.38	212,318.62	2,111.79	1,201.02	30.29	3,282.52	215,601.14	-7,056.53	208,544.61
Capital Reserve																
1991	Chester Police Department-836	Cap Expenses	Common CRF	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.02	0.00	125.14	0.32	125.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1991	Chester Fire Department-066	Cap Expenses	Common CRF	4.35	0.00	0.00	-1.87	0.00	-1.87	7,184.83	41.52	15.02	7,211.33	7,208.46	-235.96	6,973.50
2007	Municipal Complex Improvement-856	Cap Expenses	Common CRF	13.10	20,414.00	0.00	-5.65	0.00	20,408.35	1,206.48	125.12	15.08	1,316.52	21,724.87	-711.05	21,013.82
2007	Wilson Pond Rec Fund-575	Cap Expenses	Common CRF	4.48	6,025.00	0.00	-1.94	0.00	6,023.06	1,386.88	42.83	15.00	1,414.71	7,437.77	-243.44	7,194.33
2007	Winter Road Maintenance Fund-583	Cap Expenses	Common CRF	0.15	78,618.18	0.00	10.01	78,407.81	220.38	5,424.35	217.43	5,607.51	34.27	254.65	-8.33	246.32
2008	Mosquito Trapping Fund-159	Cap Expenses	Common CRF	12.64	20,000.00	0.00	-5.45	0.00	19,994.55	863.28	120.75	15.08	988.95	20,963.50	-686.13	20,277.37
2008	Fremont Road Bridge Fund-740	Cap Expenses	Common CRF	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14.72	0.04	14.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2008	Building Improvement Fund-102	Cap Expenses	Common CRF	18.19	5,000.00	25,000.00	-7.84	0.00	29,992.16	47.51	143.68	15.02	176.17	30,168.33	-987.40	29,180.93
2008	Equipment & Vehicles Fund-765	Cap Expenses	Common CRF	28.52	28,013.00	20,250.00	-12.74	0.00	48,250.26	489.79	257.65	15.11	712.33	48,962.59	-1,602.53	47,360.06
2009	Revaluation Fund-385	Cap Expenses	Common CRF	9.10	0.00	15,000.00	-3.92	0.00	14,996.08	28.04	68.89	0.03	96.90	15,082.98	-483.99	14,598.99
2010	North Pond Road Maintenance-281	Cap Expenses	Common CRF	3.02	6,880.58	0.00	-1.30	2,005.20	4,974.08	11.84	28.84	11.86	28.82	5,002.90	-163.74	4,839.16
2011	Employee Separation Capital Reserve Fund-476	Employee Separation Benefits	Common CRF	0.00	0.00	102,641.00	1.78	102,642.78	0.00	0.00	26.16	26.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2012	Unanticipated Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund-113	Unanticipated Maintenance Expenditures	Common CRF	5.45	0.00	10,000.00	-2.15	998.00	8,998.85	0.00	45.41	0.00	45.41	9,044.26	-296.02	8,748.24
2013	Capital Improvement Plan	Capital Improvement Plan	Common CRF	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2013	Commemorative Monument Fund	Honor valued citizens	Common CRF	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2013	300th Anniversary Celebration	Town Celebration	Common CRF	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Capital Reserve					100	165,050.76	172,891.00	-31.05	153,855.90	16,762.86	1,118.64	5,876.09	12,005.41	165,861.31	-5,478.59	160,432.72
GRAND TOTAL: CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS						322,425.76	257,881.00	-87.43	366,174.52	18,874.65	2,319.66	5,906.38	15,287.93	381,462.45	-12,485.12	368,977.33
GRAND TOTAL: CHESTER																
					1,176,569.42	258,191.00	91,753.76	214,054.81	1,312,459.37	95,296.07	19,786.52	6,044.08	109,038.51	1,421,497.88	-26,114.32	1,395,383.56

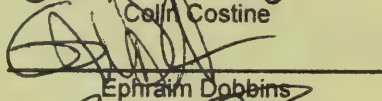
REPORT OF COMMON TRUST FUND AND CAPITAL RESERVE FUND INVESTMENTS

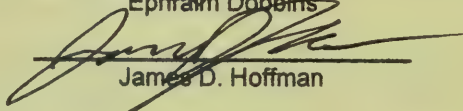
Town/City Of: ChesterFor Year Ended: 2013CONTACT PERSON: Colin CostinePHONE: 603-887-4045EMAIL: summitsp@hotmail.com

CERTIFICATE

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the information contained in this form and to the best of my belief it is true, correct and complete.


Colin Costine


Ephraim Dobbins


James D. Hoffman

Sign in Ink

Signed by the Trustees of Trust Funds

on this date

9-16-13

REMINDERS FOR TRUSTEES

- 1. SIGNATURE** - Sign in ink on lines provided above.
- 2. INVESTMENT POLICY** - RSA 31:25 requires the trustees to adopt an investment policy and review and confirm this policy at least annually. A copy of this policy must be filed with the Director of Charitable Trusts (RSA 31:25, 34:5, 35:9).
- 3. PROFESSIONAL BANKING AND BROKERAGE ASSISTANCE** - RSA 31:38-a allows trustees to use professional banking or brokerage firm assistance. Refer to the law for further information. Attributable expenses may be charged against the trust fund involved, however, please be advised the fees can be taken from income only and not from principal.
- 4. WEB SITE** - A trustee handbook can be down loaded from the web site for the Attorney General's Charitable Trust Division. www.doj.nh.gov/charitable
- 5. FAIR VALUE** - Complete page 4 to disclose the fair value (market value) of principal only. This information may be obtained from financial publications or from professional banking or brokerage services.
- 6. CAPITAL RESERVE FUND** - Must be maintained separately on the books of the town. The assets of such funds may be pooled in order to invest in a broader range of investments to maximize growth and mitigate risk (RSA 35:9).
- 7. WHEN and WHERE TO FILE** - By March 1 if filing for a calendar year and by September 1 if filing for optional fiscal year. See addresses on page 4 of this form. If the trustees hold funds for the school, the school business administrator will also need a copy for the school's financial report.

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REPORT OF THE COMMON TRUST FUNDS INVESTMENTS OF THE TOWN OF CHESTER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2013

	PRINCIPAL				INCOME				TOTAL	MARKET VALUE		
Description of Investment (See Attached)	Beginning Balance	Additions	Capital Gains/ -Losses	With- drawals	Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Amount	Expended During Year	Ending Balance	Principal & Income	Unrealized Gain/Loss	Ending Market Value
NATC Common CRF												
- School												
- Capital Reserve												
** Total NATC Common CRF	322,425.76	257,891.00	-87.43	214,054.81	366,174.52	18,874.65	2,319.66	5,906.38	15,287.93	381,462.45	-12,485.12	368,977.33
NATC Common TF												
- Perpetual Care												
- Perpetual Care - French Plot												
- Burial Trusts												
- Fire Department												
- Public Library												
- School Library												
- Town Poor												
** Total NATC Common TF	854,143.66	300.00	91,841.19	0.00	946,284.85	76,421.42	17,466.86	137.70	93,750.58	1,040,035.43	-13,629.20	1,026,406.23
GRAND TOTAL												
	1,176,569.42	258,191.00	91,753.76	214,054.81	1,312,459.37	95,296.07	19,786.52	6,044.08	109,038.51	1,421,497.88	-26,114.32	1,395,383.56

Fees and Expenses, if any, paid for Professional Brokerage Assistance (RSA 31:38-a, IV):

1. Name of Investment Advisor: Mackensen & Company, Inc., 6 Merrill Drive, Hampton, NH 03842 603-926-1775
2. Trust Funds Fees Paid: \$8,580.02 paid from Trust Funds Income (The Telge Group: \$5,966.85; Mackensen & Company: \$2,613.17)
3. Capital Reserve Funds Fees Paid: \$913.19 as incidental expenses of the town
4. FY2012 bookkeeping fee of \$1,000 paid as incidental expense of the town.

Vendor Payment List Jul 1, 2012 -Jun 30, 2013

Vendor Name	City/Town	State	Amount
2 Way Communications Division	Newington	VT	\$ 6,070.00
A Safe Place	Portsmouth	NH	\$ 1,000.00
A-1 Exterminator's Inc.	Lynn	MA	\$ 150.00
ACS Government Systems, Inc.	Dallas	TX	\$ 625.00
Adamson Industries Corp.	Haverhill	MA	\$ 816.35
Advanced Commercial Svc, LLC	Seabrook	NH	\$ 135.00
Advanced Presentation Sys Inc.	Nashua	NH	\$ 10,880.00
Aggregate Industries-Northeast	Pittsburg	NH	\$ 2,323.30
AIDS Response Seacoast	Portsmouth	NH	\$ 500.00
Airgas East	Philadelphia	PA	\$ 1,008.09
Allegra Print & Imaging	Manchester	NH	\$ 613.03
All-Pro Tree Service	Chester	NH	\$ 3,500.00
Allstate Mechanical Services	Danville	NH	\$ 513.00
All-Ways Accessible, Inc.	Concord	NH	\$ 270.00
American Red Cross	Concord	NH	\$ 2,081.00
American Striping	Chester	NH	\$ 20,278.54
American Tank Management, Inc.	Manchester	NH	\$ 1,465.00
American Thunder Fireworks Inc.	No. Reading	MA	\$ 7,000.00
Amy Hazelton	Chester	NH	\$ 3,680.00
ANCO	Manchester	NH	\$ 33.95
ANCO Plumbing & Heating, LLC	Chester	NH	\$ 5,400.50
Anderson Equipment Company	Philadelphia	PA	\$ 3,514.80
Armstrong Graphics	East Derry	NH	\$ 352.00
ASSIST-U.S.	Concord	NH	\$ 60.00
ATS Equipment, Inc.	Candia	NH	\$ 1,813.40
Autumn Sky Yoga	Chester	NH	\$ 7,700.00
AW Direct, Inc.	Janesville	WI	\$ 206.52
B&H Sales & Service	Epping	NH	\$ 378.00
Backmann Florist and Gifts	Derry	NH	\$ 51.00
Bauchman's Towing Inc.	Windham	NH	\$ 225.00
Bedford Sealcoating & Parking Lot Maintenance	Bedford	NH	\$ 25,200.00
Beltronics, Inc.	Hollis	NH	\$ 2,152.53
Ben Franklin	Raymond	NH	\$ 357.43
Ben Meadows Co.	Janesville	WI	\$ 536.03
Ben's Uniforms	Amesbury	MA	\$ 1,427.00
Benson Lumber & Hardware	Derry	NH	\$ 563.96
Berg Sportswear	Corinna	ME	\$ 1,184.31
Bergeron Protective Clothing	Epsom	NH	\$ 3,805.00
Bestway Disposal Services	Williston	VT	\$ 2,394.07
Better Future Alliance, LLC	Hanover	NH	\$ 18,530.00
BK Electric	Chester	NH	\$ 7,914.25

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Vendor Name	City/Town	State	Amount
Body Armor Outlet, LLC	Salem	NH	\$ 356.00
Border Area Mutual Aid	Manchester	NH	\$ 25.00
Boston Systems & Solutions,LLC	Plaistow	NH	\$ 11,910.04
Bound Tree Medical, LLC	Chicaog	NH	\$ 2,940.94
Brox Industries	Dracut	MA	\$ 112,376.86
Bucovina Cuisines, LLC	Epping	NH	\$ 374.00
Business Management Systems	Franconia	NH	\$ 7,432.10
Card Tech ID	Epsom	NH	\$ 551.61
Carol Coppola & Associates	Candia	NH	\$ 41,502.50
Carparts of Derry	Plaistow	NH	\$ 42.92
CART	Londonderry	NH	\$ 6,019.00
Cartographic Associates, Inc.	Littleton	NH	\$ 1,800.00
Casella Waste Systems, Inc.	Williston	VT	\$ 1,189.10
Cen-Com	Londonderry	NH	\$ 96.00
Center for Life Management	Derry	NH	\$ 4,500.00
Central Garage Door Company	Pittsfield	NH	\$ 265.00
Chappell Tractor East	Brentwood	NH	\$ 2,922.52
Chester Hardware & Garden	Chester	NH	\$ 562.51
Chester Public Library, Treasurer	Chester	NH	\$ 111,288.00
Chester Senior Citizens	Chester	NH	\$ 10,000.00
Chief Supply	Chester	NH	\$ 427.96
Child Advocacy Center	Derry	NH	\$ 200.00
Child and Family Services	Manchester	NH	\$ 750.00
Citizens Bank	Providence	RI	\$ 22,485.88
Clark Truck Parts, Inc.	Poca	WV	\$ 512.85
CLCST Development, LLC	Auburn	NH	\$ 17,380.08
Coca Cola Northern N.E.	Londonderry	NH	\$ 521.50
Comcast	Newrk	NJ	\$ 922.15
Community Caregivers of Greater Derry	Derry	NH	\$ 2,250.00
Community Health Services Inc.	Derry	NH	\$ 2,020.00
Computer Hut	Nashua	NH	\$ 81.00
Comstar, Inc.	Rowley	MA	\$ 932.49
Concentra Occup. Health Center	Cranston	RI	\$ 73.50
Coppola Rockburn LLC	Concord	NH	\$ 14,072.50
Crown Trophy	Hooksett	NH	\$ 197.00
Crystal Rock LLC	Waterbury	CT	\$ 582.43
Cynthia Robinson	Chester	NH	\$ 68.22
Daneau Trucking LLC	Derry	NH	\$ 11,892.54
Daniel G. Roberge	Chester	NH	\$ 2,160.00
Darrell F. Quinn, LLC	Chester	NH	\$ 3,237.97
Dave's Scrap Tire Removal	No. Reading	MA	\$ 475.50

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Vendor Name	City/Town	State	Amount
Dave's Small Engine Repair	Raymond	NH	\$ 475.00
Debra Doda	Raymond	NH	\$ 3,046.20
Dell Marketing L.P.	Pittsburg	PA	\$ 849.99
Derry Auto Parts, Inc.	Derry	NH	\$ 1,006.17
Derry Soccer Club	Derry	NH	\$ 798.00
DiCroce Prosecution	Hampton	NH	\$ 14,000.00
Difeo Oil & Propane	Epping	NH	\$ 32,341.25
Dillon Old Farm Nursery	Chester	NH	\$ 614.00
DM Lewis Landscaping	Candia	NH	\$ 8,312.50
Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella	Exeter	NH	\$ 4,446.43
Donovan Equipment Co., Inc.	Londonderry	NH	\$ 310.08
Dubois & King, Inc.	Randolph	VT	\$ 28,552.46
E & J Auto Parts	Derry	NH	\$ 1,144.46
E.W. Sleeper Co.	Concord	NH	\$ 1,339.23
Eagle Point Gun	Thorofare	NJ	\$ 2,737.00
East Coast Emergency Outfitter	Nashua	NH	\$ 289.99
East Coast Lumber	East Hampstead	NH	\$ 3,186.26
Eastern Analytical, Inc.	Concord	NH	\$ 2,592.00
Eddies Saw Service	East Derry	NH	\$ 560.70
Educational Critical Care Concept, LLC	Windham	NH	\$ 240.00
Emergency Educator's Group of NH	Danville	NH	\$ 295.00
Emergency Services Marketing	Dewitt	NY	\$ 2,066.00
ESCO Awards	Salem	NH	\$ 1,016.75
ESRLAC	Exeter	NH	\$ 150.00
Expense Reimbursements	Chester	NH	\$ 3,588.91
FBI - LEEDA	Malvern	PA	\$ 50.00
FedEx	Pittsburg	PA	\$ 30.11
Ferguson Waterworks	Colchester	VT	\$ 40.87
Fillmore Industries Inc.	Loudon	NH	\$ 19,652.58
Fire One	Drexel Hill	PA	\$ 3,911.25
Firematic Supply Co. Inc.	Yapank	NY	\$ 999.00
Ford Motor Credit Company	Detroit	MI	\$ 16,802.05
Ford of Londonderry	Londonderry	NH	\$ 1,811.40
Forestry Suppliers, Inc.	Jackson	MI	\$ 3,661.31
Formax,a Div.of Bescorp Inc.	Dover	NH	\$ 300.00
Formsgal	Portland	ME	\$ 451.64
Fortin Modular Storage Company	Londonderry	NH	\$ 850.00
Friends RSVP	Concord	NH	\$ 100.00
G4 Communications Corp.	Bedford	NH	\$ 384.33
Gall's Inc.	Chicago	IL	\$ 522.80
George E. Sansoucy, P.E. LLC	Lancaster	NH	\$ 16,882.97

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Vendor Name	City/Town	State	Amount
Goulet Computer Consultants	Manchester	NH	\$ 1,347.00
Grainger	Paltine	IL	\$ 337.14
Granite Industrial Gases	Derry	NH	\$ 112.00
Granite State Analytical, Inc.	Derry	NH	\$ 4,276.25
Granite State Communications	Boston	MA	\$ 18,721.03
Granite State Elevator Inc.	Laconia	NH	\$ 155.00
Granite State Sewer and Drain Cleaning, Inc.	Londonderry	NH	\$ 1,135.00
Granting Opportunities, LLC	Chester	NH	\$ 2,660.00
Grant's Towing & Recovery	Raymond	NH	\$ 200.00
Gregsak Engineering, Inc.	Chester	NH	\$ 5,500.00
Grubb & Ellis Northern New England	Portsmouth	NH	\$ 1,500.00
GSD Electric, LLC	Manchester	NH	\$ 4,340.00
H.O.P. Sales & Service	Sandown	NH	\$ 24.00
Hamm Septic Services, Inc.	Hudson	NH	\$ 59,297.45
Hasler	Chester	NH	\$ 6,010.00
HealthTrust	Concord	NH	\$ 279,112.64
HealthTrust - PL	Concord	NH	\$ 38,220.66
HealthTrust - WC	Concord	NH	\$ 29,585.07
Henry K. White & Sons	Chester	NH	\$ 27,803.02
HLF Industries	Sandown	NH	\$ 3,410.75
Home Depot Credit Services	Des Moines	IA	\$ 727.48
Howard P. Fairfield, LLC	Boston	NH	\$ 1,852.12
IACP Net	St. Paul	MN	\$ 250.00
IDS	Barre	VT	\$ 423.17
ImageTrend, Inc.	Lakeville	MN	\$ 400.00
Industrial Chem. Labs & Services, Inc.	Deer Park	NY	\$ 99.90
Industrial Protection Services	Wilmington	MA	\$ 42,469.98
International Association of Chiefs of Police	Baltimore	MD	\$ 120.00
International Association of Fire Chiefs	Baltimore	MD	\$ 234.00
International Code Council, Inc .	Birmingham	AL	\$ 125.00
International Salt Co, LLC	Pittsburg	PA	\$ 81,525.74
Interstate Emergency Unit	Stratham	NH	\$ 150.00
Interware Development Co. Inc.	Mont Vernon	NH	\$ 2,358.50
Irving Oil Corporation	Lewiston	ME	\$ 53,957.22
J & F Farms, Inc.	Derry	NH	\$ 1,321.60
James R Rosencrantz & Sons, Inc.	East Kingston	NH	\$ 4,536.11
Jay-Mor Enterprises, Inc.	Pelham	NH	\$ 28,800.00
Jim Blazonis	Rochester	NH	\$ 275.00
John H. Chiaradonna	Chester	NH	\$ 2,050.00
John Kettinger	Hooksett	NH	\$ 200.00
John M. Ellsworth Co., Inc.	Milwaukee	WI	\$ 1,319.80

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Vendor Name	City/Town	State	Amount
Jordan Equipment Co.	W. Falmouth	ME	\$ 5,326.32
JR Pepper Electric Inc.	Chester	NH	\$ 8,241.90
Justin Hart	Henniker	NH	\$ 120.00
Kathryn J. Young	Chester	NH	\$ 858.75
KDH Pressure Washing	Sandown	NH	\$ 300.00
Ken Scott	Manchester	NH	\$ 3,502.00
Kevin Jenckes	New Durham	NH	\$ 1,195.00
Kimberly A. Cremin	Chester	NH	\$ 3,494.68
Konica Minolta Business Solutions	Dallas	TX	\$ 1,188.78
Konica Minolta Premier Finance	St. Louis	MO	\$ 3,295.19
Laidlaw Transit, Inc.	Chicago	IL	\$ 3,730.33
Lakes Region Fire Apparatus Inc.	W. Ossipee	NH	\$ 2,756.84
Lamphere Construction	Chester	NH	\$ 6,284.80
Left-Tees Designs Bayou, LLC	Derry	NH	\$ 1,554.76
LHS Associates Inc.	Salem	NH	\$ 2,737.47
Like-Nu Auto Body & Repairs	Chester	NH	\$ 9,628.81
Lloyd Healey	Chester	NH	\$ 226.94
Local Government Center	Concord	NH	\$ 601.00
Lowe's PROX	Atlanta	GA	\$ 11,695.36
LRC Fire Safety, LLC	Manchester	NH	\$ 2,209.75
M & M Landscaping	Chester	NH	\$ 9,540.00
Mackensen & Company, Inc.	Hampton	NH	\$ 433.69
MailFinance	Chicago	IL	\$ 959.40
Mailings Unlimited	Portland	ME	\$ 2,729.91
Manchester Memorial Co., Inc.	Manchester	NH	\$ 475.00
Margaret Mulrennan	Chester	NH	\$ 100.00
Matthew Bender & Co. Inc.	Philadelphia	PA	\$ 885.59
MB Tractor & Equipment	Plaistow	NH	\$ 359.63
MC&E/Election Source	Grand Rapids	MI	\$ 1,235.70
McLane, Graf, Raulerson...PA	Manchester	NH	\$ 444.00
Melanson, Heath & Company, PC	Nashua	NH	\$ 16,500.00
Melissa Folini	Chester	NH	\$ 160.00
Merrimack Valley Business Machines	N. Chelmsford	MA	\$ 1,855.00
Michael A Babin	Chester	NH	\$ 8,198.20
Minuteman Press of Andover	Andover	MA	\$ 200.00
MLM Construction	Chester	NH	\$ 175,381.63
Municipal Resources Inc.	Meredith	NH	\$ 12,514.97
Nature's Best	Derry	NH	\$ 560.00
Neptune, Inc.	Haverhill	MA	\$ 818.15
New England Barricade Corp.	Newmarket	NH	\$ 593.92
NFPA	Manchester	NH	\$ 1,888.59

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Vendor Name	City/Town	State	Amount
NH Association Of Assessing Officials	Concord	NH	\$ 20.00
NH Association Of Chiefs Of Police	Derry	NH	\$ 100.00
NH Association Of Conservation Commissions	Concord	NH	\$ 265.00
NH Association Of Fire Chiefs	Concord	NH	\$ 75.00
NH City & Town Clerks Association	Gilmanton	NH	\$ 20.00
NH Fire Prevention Society Inc.	Concord	NH	\$ 62.00
NH Local Welfare Administrators Association	Concord	NH	\$ 69.00
NH Municipal Association	Concord	NH	\$ 3,553.75
NH Retirement System	Boston	MA	\$ 211,459.37
NH Seacoast Code Officials Association	Durham	NH	\$ 25.00
NH Signs Incorporated	Londonderry	NH	\$ 2,740.00
NH State Firemen's Association	Concord	NH	\$ 660.00
NH Tax Collectors Association	Whitefield	NH	\$ 20.00
NHBOA	Concord	NH	\$ 270.00
NHGFOA	Concord	NH	\$ 50.00
Nobis Engineering, Inc.	Concord	NH	\$ 6,800.00
North Country Tractor, Inc.	Concord	NH	\$ 58.04
Northeast Resourse Recovery Association	Epsom	NH	\$ 4,032.26
Northeast Wisconsin Technical College	Green Bay	WI	\$ 350.00
Noury Supply, Inc.	Manchester	NH	\$ 936.70
Nuco Industries, Inc.	Farmingdale	NY	\$ 513.81
Nutfield Ophthalmology, PC	Londonderry	NH	\$ 793.60
Nutfield Publishing LLC	Londonderry	NH	\$ 2,854.00
OfficeTeam	Chicago	IL	\$ 698.76
Old National Bank	Evansville	IN	\$ 44,332.22
One Source Security	Merrimack	NH	\$ 804.66
Ouwerkerk Plumbing & Heating	Chester	NH	\$ 24,125.24
Palmer Gas Co., Inc.	N. Salem	NH	\$ 887.64
Pat Martin	Chester	NH	\$ 247.93
Patty B. Coughlin	Fremont	NH	\$ 123.50
PB Electronics Inc.	Shepherdsville	KY	\$ 519.00
Pelmac Industries, Inc.	Auburn	NH	\$ 182.10
People's United Bank	Brattleboro	VT	\$ 66,325.00
Peter J. Epstein	Boston	MA	\$ 700.00
Petra Paving, Inc.	Hampstead	NH	\$ 6,140.00
Physio-Control Inc.	Chicago	IL	\$ 2,010.00
Pinard Waste Sysems, Inc	Manchester	NH	\$ 2,239.20
Pinnacle Engraving & Awards	Derry	NH	\$ 24.00
Postmaster of Chester	Chester	NH	\$ 3,523.08
Power Up Generator Service Company	Auburn	NH	\$ 6,476.04
Prestige Auction Services	Amherst	NH	\$ 207.00

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Vendor Name	City/Town	State	Amount
Progressive Medical International	Vista	CA	\$ 61.71
PSNH	Dallas	TX	\$ 46,620.38
Pumpkin Pine	Chester	NH	\$ 664.00
Quirk Chevrolet	Manchester	NH	\$ 2,903.16
RAS - Tech	Brentwood	NH	\$ 1,707.00
Ray's Refrigeration Services	Auburn	NH	\$ 90.00
Refund - Kitchen deposits	Chester	NH	\$ 100.00
Refund - Tax abatements	Chester	NH	\$ 1,718.32
Refund - Tax overpayments	Chester	NH	\$ 57,849.34
Regan Ford	Haverhill	NH	\$ 283.63
Richard Bellemore	Chester	NH	\$ 5,314.00
Robert J. Morgan Jr.	Littleton	NH	\$ 9,926.90
Rockingham Community Action	Portsmouth	NH	\$ 3,712.00
Rockingham County Chiefs of Police	N. Hampton	NH	\$ 20.00
Rockingham County Conservation District	Brentwood	NH	\$ 516.00
Rockingham County Register Of Deeds	Kingston	NH	\$ 898.47
Rockingham County Treasurer	Brentwood	NH	\$ 481,977.00
Rockingham Nutrition & Meals	Brentwood	NH	\$ 627.00
Roman Brander Construction	Chester	NH	\$ 2,000.00
RSG Auto Repair, LLC	Chester	NH	\$ 2,597.70
S&W Healthcare	Brooksville	FL	\$ 241.23
S.E.N.H.H.M.M.A.D.	Windham	NH	\$ 5,764.78
Safariland, LLC	Atlanta	GA	\$ 118.05
Sams Club	Atlanta	GA	\$ 1,130.28
Samson Fastener Co.	Hampstead	NH	\$ 265.32
Sandown Wireless	E. Hampstead	NH	\$ 846.50
SBA Towers II LLC	Atlanta	NH	\$ 1,026.12
Scott Anderson	Chester	NH	\$ 100.00
Scruffy's Auto Repair and More	Chester	NH	\$ 5,220.50
Seacoast Vacuum Cleaner	Plaistow	NH	\$ 107.94
Sexual Assault Support Service	Portsmouth	NH	\$ 1,000.00
Shop At Home Flooring	Rollinsford	NH	\$ 1,650.00
Sir Speedy Printing Center	Manchester	NH	\$ 1,528.40
Sommers Lawn Maintenance	Chester	NH	\$ 14,452.11
Sonshine Soup Kitchen	Derry	NH	\$ 700.00
Soule, Leslie, Kidder...PLLC	Salem	NH	\$ 17,110.50
Source4, Inc.	Roanoke	VA	\$ 74.96
Southeast Land Trust	Exeter	NH	\$ 50.00
Southern NH Planning Commission	Manchester	NH	\$ 3,850.20
Spollett's General Store	Chester	NH	\$ 694.38
Staff Hunters, LLC	Portsmouth	NH	\$ 1,393.20

Vendor Payment List Jul 1, 2012 -Jun 30, 2013

Vendor Name	City/Town	State	Amount
Staples Advantage	Boston	MA	\$ 2,295.73
State Of NH - Dept of Safety	Concord	NH	\$ 3,875.00
State Of NH - Corrections	Concord	NH	\$ 2,770.80
State of NH - Dept of Agriculture	Concord	NH	\$ 2,890.00
State of NH - DOT	Concord	NH	\$ 6,322.29
State of NH - Miscellaneous	Concord	NH	\$ 1,550.00
State Of NH - Vital records	Concord	NH	\$ 977.00
StaySafe Traffic Products, Inc.	Westford	MA	\$ 969.60
Suburban Propane	Whippany	NJ	\$ 6,177.39
Sullivan Tire	Rockland	MA	\$ 525.60
Summit Supply Corp	Brentwood	NH	\$ 250.10
Sumner Brook Fish Farm	Ossipee	NH	\$ 575.00
Sunbelt Rentals	Atlanta	GA	\$ 484.96
SunTrust Equipment Finance & Leasing Co.	Baltimore	MD	\$ 52,019.66
Surplus Office Equipment	Manchester	NH	\$ 4,040.00
Tape Services, Inc.	Londonderry	NH	\$ 130.80
Taser International Inc.	Phoenix	AZ	\$ 1,008.76
Terminix International	Cincinnati	OH	\$ 1,310.00
The Doctor's Office	Manchester	NH	\$ 855.00
The UpperRoom	Derry	NH	\$ 1,000.00
Theodore P. Scott	Chester	NH	\$ 425.00
TigerDirect, Inc.	Atlanta	GA	\$ 189.00
Tires Too	Londonderry	NH	\$ 2,950.91
Tires, Inc.	Manchester	NH	\$ 30.00
TJ Edwards & Sons	Chester	NH	\$ 11,751.00
TMC Books, LLC	Conway	NH	\$ 100.00
Tom Porter	Salem	NH	\$ 1,025.00
Town of Derry	Derry	NH	\$ 75,963.25
Town of Kingston	Kingston	NH	\$ 632.35
Town of Plaistow	Plaistow	NH	\$ 471.61
Tractor Supply Credit Plan	Des Moines	IA	\$ 382.74
Traynor Glass Company, Inc.	Hampstead	NH	\$ 55.95
Triangle Portable Service	Derry	NH	\$ 3,466.00
Tri-State Sprinkler Corp	Derry	NH	\$ 250.00
TriTech Software Systems	Dallas	TX	\$ 4,390.00
Trustees Of Trust Funds	Chester	NH	\$ 142,891.00
TXC, Inc.	Salem	NH	\$ 7,600.00
UNH Technology Transfer Center	Durham	NH	\$ 360.00
Union Leader Corp.	Manchester	NH	\$ 566.83
United Oil Recovery, Inc.	Boston	MA	\$ 850.00
Verizon Wireless	Albany	NY	\$ 6,052.27

Vendor Payment List Jul 1, 2012 -Jun 30, 2013

Vendor Name	City/Town	State	Amount
Verizon Wireless - Lifepaks	Albany	NY	\$ 427.84
Vermont Visions Chimney Scrubber	Peacham	VT	\$ 820.00
Vernon Evans	Chester	NH	\$ 4,500.66
Vidacare	Dallas	TX	\$ 449.77
Vision Government Solutions	Boston	MA	\$ 8,169.49
W.D. Perkins	Merrimack	NH	\$ 8,648.17
Wadleigh Starr & Peters	Manchester	NH	\$ 21,646.48
Waste Management of NH	Philadelphia	PA	\$ 59,258.73
WatchGuard Video	Dallas	TX	\$ 338.00
WB Mason Company, Inc.	Boston	MA	\$ 9,411.34
Welfare direct assistance	Chester	NH	\$ 11,379.27
Wildlife Taxidermy & Sport Center	Manchester	NH	\$ 25.51
Wisteria Flower Shoppe	Derry	NH	\$ 110.00
Witmer Public Safety Group	Coatsville	PA	\$ 510.34
WS Darley & Co.	Chicago	IL	\$ 1,016.40
Yahoo! Custodian of Records	Sunnyvale	CA	\$ 40.00
Yankee Trucks, LLC	Concord	NH	\$ 26.66
Your Variety	Chester	NH	\$ 8,208.49
Zero Waste & Recycling Service Inc.	Bow	NH	\$ 1,156.25

Tax Collector's Report | 2013

Annual Report Tax Collector

As of June 30, 2013

	Fiscal Yr. 2013	Fiscal Yr. 2012 & 2011
Uncollected Taxes Beginning of Fiscal Yr:		
Property Tax		\$ 2,522,410.61
Land Use Change Tax		31,000.00
Timber Yield Taxes		3,002.00
Excavation Tax \$.02/yd.		89.00
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Tax	\$ 5,586,190.00	\$ 5,181,401.00
Land Use Change Tax	38,500.00	112,500.00
Timber Yield Taxes	7,884.00	
Excavation Tax \$.02/yd.	829.00	
Costs & Penalties		
Other Charges		
Overpayment:		
Property Tax (Refunds)	37,073.85	39,030.04
Other Tax (Refunds)		
Interest & Fees Collected on Delinquent Taxes:	37.73	54,001.90
Total Debits:	\$ 5,670,514.58	\$ 7,943,434.55

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara L. Gagnon

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Tax Collector

Tax Collector's Report | 2013

	Fiscal Year 2013	Fiscal Yr. 2012
Remitted to Treasurer During Year:		
Property Tax	\$ 4,648,588.91	\$ 7,584,179.14
Land Use Change Tax		68,507.42
Timber Yield Taxes	7,701.00	3,002.00
Interest	37.73	
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd.	80.00	89.00
Conversion to Lien		234,807.38
Costs & Penalties		48,818.82
Other Charges		1,908.08
Abatements Made:		
Property Tax		2,122.71
Current Levy Deeded		
Uncollected Taxes End of Year:		
Property Tax	974,674.94	
Land Use Change Tax	38,500.00	
Timber Yield Tax	183.00	
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd.	749.00	
Property Tax Credit Balance		
Other Charges		
Total Credits:	\$ 5,670,514.58	\$ 7,943,434.55

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara L. Gagnon

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Tax Collector

Summary of Tax Lien Accounts
Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013

	Fiscal Year 2012/2011	Fiscal Year 2010/2009
Debits		
Unredeemed Liens Beginning of Year:	153,714.14	66,378.74
Liens Executed During Year:	249,662.37	
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Executed:	24,082.87	18,777.29
Total Debits:	427,459.38	85,156.03
Credits		
Remittance to Treasurer:		
Redemptions	262,126.76	57,493.57
Interest & Costs (After Lien Execution)	23,568.69	19,138.97
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes		
Liens Deeded to Town	889.93	460.88
Unredeemed Liens Balance End of Year	140,874.00	8,062.61
Total Credits:	\$ 427,459.38	\$ 85,156.03

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara L. Gagnon

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Tax Collector

Annual Report
Town Clerk

As of June 30, 2013

Motor Vehicle Permits and Titles	\$ 866,546.32
Dog Licenses and Fines	9,425.00
Marriage Licenses and Vital Records	1,285.00
UCC Filings and Miscellaneous Fines	1,348.50
Remitted to State	310,869.68
Net Receipts:	\$1,189,474.50

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara L. Gagnon

Town Clerk

Chester Budget Committee Report

For Fiscal Year 2014-2015

Proposed Budget and other Warrant Articles

To the Citizens of Chester:

Operating under the State of New Hampshire RSA Chapter 32, the Chester Municipal Budget Committee is charged with assisting the voting public in the prudent appropriation of funds for the Town of Chester.

On March 3rd of this year, the Committee received a proposed operating budget from the Selectmen in the amount of \$4,204,302 which represented a \$335,347 or 8.71%** increase in spending over last year's approved operating budget.

The Budget Committee's analysis takes into account previous year's spending, as well as actual year-to-date spending. The Committee met with the Selectmen to discuss most of the departmental budget requests, and the Selectmen provided explanations for some of the proposed increases. To that end, the Budget Committee again reviewed the proposed budget and made adjustments where they felt it was necessary. The Committee is recommending a proposed budget for the Legislative body's consideration in the amount of \$3,990,424 which represents an increase over last year's budget of \$121,469, or 3.14%**. The major differences between last year's operating budget and this year's proposed budget are described below:

- **4150-8-314 to 325 Information Technology - new \$48,096.** This is a new account that has been created to consolidate both computer hardware and software costs that were previously spread across multiple departments into a single account. The majority of these expenses are not new with exception of line 4150-6-314 (\$16,712) which represents the cost of replacing half (13) of the Town's computers. The result of this consolidation is that many departments with technology related expenses will show a slight decrease to their budgets as the computer related lines have been moved here.
- **4155-1-110 to 170 Benefits - up \$70,133.** The upward pressures in this account show the ever increasing cost of employee benefits. The largest single increase in this section is in employee health and dental insurance. Although budgeted at the same employee contribution level as last year (15% contribution for a single plan and 20% for a two person or family plan) this line alone accounts for a \$53,714 increase over last year's budgeted amount of \$263,005 (a 20.4% increase).
- **4194-1-639 to 856 Buildings - up \$2,607.** Although the increase in this department is relatively minor the Committee would like to point out that approximately \$50,000 of this budget is new spending. Roughly \$50,000 of last year's budget was for repair projects that have been completed or are expected to be completed shortly. The Board of Selectmen has been consistent in their commitment to the Town's infrastructure. Currently proposed projects include, among others, paving at the fire station, painting at the library, re-grading, paving and gutters at the salt shed.
- **4196-1-520 to 535 Insurance - up \$16,442.** Insurance costs for the Town are up 22.8% mostly in Liability and Workers' Compensation insurance.
- **4215-1-350 to 570 Ambulance - up \$39,474.** The majority of the increase in this budget is due to the fact that ambulances dispatch services cost has been moved here from the Fire Department's budget. Ambulance contracted medical services has increased by \$8,593 or 15.8%.

- **4312-1-109 to 902 Highway – down \$28,462.** The asphalt line (1-911) has been reduced by \$50,000. This line has more than doubled in the past five years (it was \$40,000 in 2010). The argument for increases in this line have always been that if no warrant articles for road work pass the Road Agent will have no funds for road repair without this line. The average that has been spent against this line over the last four years is \$23,189 per year. The Budget Committee supports the warrant article (#6) to drawn down \$350,000 from the CIP fund for road work this year. The engineering line (2-700) has been reduced to \$5,000. Again, the actual annual expenses for this line have not exceeded \$5,000 in the past four years (the four year average actual expense is \$2,148).
- **4324-1-110 to 641 Transfer Station – up \$8,234.** This is due to increased costs of household waste transportation and disposal (up 15.6%). .

The Committee has reviewed all proposed warrant articles that contain an appropriation. In addition to recommending an operating budget of \$3,990,424 the Committee recommends \$728,241 of appropriations through warrant articles. The following is a summary of recommendations and the tax impact of each article:

Article #		Proposed recommended	Proposed not recommended	tax rate impact
5	Operating Budget	3,990,424		** .27
6	Asphalt	350,000		.00
7	Asphalt		200,000	.42
8	Highway Dept. Truck	38,000		.08
9	Winter Road Maintenance	85,000		.18
10	Begin Removal of Debris at Salt Shed	65,000		.00
11	2 Bays at the Salt Shed		85,000.00	.06
12	Police Cruiser	42,000		.08
13	PD Communications	10,000		.00
14	Future PD Cruiser-CRF	10,000		.02
15	Maintenance of Spring Hill Farm			
16	Spring Hill Farm Repairs		15,000	.03
17	Bldg. Improv. & Maintenance-CRF		20,000	.04
18	Unanticipated Town bldg maintain.		3,000	.01
19	Update Chester Master Plan	50,000		.10
20	Revaluation	15,000		.03
21	FD Tanker Truck		42,384	.09
22	300 th Anniversary	5,000		.01
23	PACT-Upgrade Equipment		45,000	.00
24	Post Office Lease			
25	Petitioned-Fair Elections			
26	Petitioned-Town Administrator	58,241		.12
27	Reports			
28	Other Business			

** These figures are based on increasing last year's budget by the voter approved amount of \$22,100 for the assistant library director.

A few comments regarding the Capital Improvements Program (CIP):

The CIP Committee has defined a Capital Project to be a specified item or activity with a cost of at least \$5,000 and with a useful life of two years or more.

Typical Capital Projects include:

- Purchasing vehicles or other equipment
- Purchasing land or buildings
- Constructing, expanding, or renovating a building
- Upgrading named roads

The Planning Board solicits input from all department, commissions and committees in Chester for all Capital Projects contemplated for the next six years. The CIP Committee then reviews each proposed project, then votes to accept the final projects.

The purpose of a CIP is to strengthen the Town's ability to forecast the need for various capital improvement projects. It is an actual plan, which lays out a budget and schedule of municipal expenditures. The plan shows when, how, and at what cost the town expects to expand and/or maintain its services and facilities in the future. The CIP takes into account municipal expense and revenue trends, levels of population, and forecasted growth.

There are substantial benefits to managing a capital budget process and developing the discipline associated with a long range planning culture. For example, the work done by the Planning Board and CIP Committee:

- Helps stabilize and control the Town's tax rate
- Assist Town officials in laying out their departments plans
- Helps residents anticipate future projects and expenses
- Enables Departments and Committees to think and plan for the future
- Enables more efficient use of limited resources
- Permits the Town to enact impact fees and growth management ordinances

The CIP provides a formal, legally recognized bridge between the Towns' Master Plan and the annual budgeting activities.

In the past, thousands of dollars have been approved by the voters to develop the CIP. Whenever the voters have been asked to fund portions of the CIP, police, fire and highway, they have responded in the affirmative. This year the Selectmen have chosen not to give the voters the option to fund any CIP programs through the warrant despite requests from this Committee.

Petitioned Warrant Article for Town Administrator:

The Budget Committee has spearheaded a petitioned warrant article for a Town Administrator for the Legislative body to decide on at the annual Town meeting. With little effort, the Committee members received 60 signatures, including three Selectmen, from residents supporting the petition. The annual Town budget is now four million dollars. As the number of employees increase and the Town's needs become more complicated it becomes more difficult for the Board of Selectmen to efficiently and effectively "manage the prudential affairs" of the Town. It is the Budget Committee's opinion that the need for a responsible individual to oversee

the daily administration and general management of the Town is vital. Of Chester's seven abutting towns, five have a Town Administrator or a Town Manager. A Town Administrator:

- Administers operational policies in accordance with Town policies as they pertain to personnel and finances. Recommends policy revisions and advises the Selectmen as needed.
- Coordinates the daily administrative, financial and operational functions of the Town.
- Works with Town Department heads to create and fulfill annual and long range goals.
- Participates in the hiring process of Department Heads and performs annual reviews.
- Acts as the Personnel Coordinator for area of compensation, benefits, workers compensation cases, employee training, grievances and general personnel issues.
- Works with Department heads to create and amend personnel policies, subject to Board of Selectmen approval, and ensures the compliance of these policies.
- Assists in the preparation of the Town budget. Works with the Finance Director, Department Heads, the Selectmen, outside agencies and the Budget Committee in the justification of spending requests. Monitors all expenditures and informs the Selectmen as needed.
- Serves as the daily administrative contact for citizens who wish to present complaints or have inquiries about Town affairs and is responsible for the resolution of such complaints either through direct response or by delegating to the appropriate Department Head. Keeps Selectmen advised of these matters through weekly updates.
- Monitors all Town department purchases to ensure they follow the approved Town Purchasing Policy and Procedure.
- Responsible for advertising, development of bid specifications, development of requests for proposals, legal obligations, insurance coverage, staff development, construction oversight and coordination of activities with other public agencies.

The Budget Committee recommends that you support this warrant article.

In closing, we would like to mention that we currently have two open positions on the Committee. While the Budget Committee's mission is a difficult one and not for everyone, it is a necessary function to ensure spending recommendations have a second sight. Residents are more than welcome to apply as appointee's should town elections not fill the required positions.

As always, we welcome the responsibility of assisting Chester's taxpayers through our review of the operating budget, warrant articles, and bond requests. It is always our goal to carry out this review effectively, professionally, and in a fiscally responsible manner. As always, we welcome your attendance and input at our Budget Committee meetings. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any of the Committee members.

Respectfully submitted,
Chester Budget Committee

Rhonda Lamphere, Chairman (2015)
Chuck Heuer (2015)
Ephraim Dobbins (2016)
Eric Mallet (2014)
Michael Romick *ex-officio*, School Board

Chris Hadik, Vice Chairman (2014)
Steve D'Angelo (2014)
Michael Weider (2015)
Joe Castricone *ex-officio*, Board of Selectmen

Annual Report Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Report

As your Town Clerk/Tax Collector for the Town of Chester, I want to thank all the residents for their patience and understanding during all of the changes that have taken place in the office this past year.

I would like to mention here that my Deputy, Linda Mansur, has retired and decided to stay at home to enjoy her family and grandchildren. I would like to thank her for her years of service in the office. Which brings me to welcoming Carolyn DiPerri, the new Assistant Clerk in the office; she is a good addition to my office, and I am sure you will all enjoy meeting her.

As your Town Clerk/Tax Collector, I have been able to work with the programmer to pass on your suggestions to make the website easier to use. They have added the enhancements you requested making our website user friendly for everyone who visits.

When I started this transition two years ago, we were the pilot town testing the programs and working out the bugs so that other towns would be able to use these programs without encountering problems. Now that the bugs are fixed, the program is being rolled out to other New Hampshire communities. The feedback from you, from the banks, mortgage companies, and lawyers' offices has been positive, so it seems we are moving in the right direction.

On the Town Clerk side of my job, not much has really changed. We are as busy as ever as we register an increased number of vehicles. Thankfully, the waiting lines are not usually too long, except for the last day of the month. With options for residents to choose an online service, mail-in service, or to drop off their paperwork in the outside mailbox that is available to you 24/7 for car registrations, we are able to keep traffic in the office at a reasonable pace. No matter which way you may choose to register your vehicles, I do my best to make it as painless as possible.

If you have any questions or complaints, please feel free to call me at (603) 887-3636 or email me at chester9@gsignet.net, and I will be glad to help you with whatever I can. As always, thank you for allowing me to serve each and every one of you. It is always a pleasure.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara L. Gagnon, Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Carolyn DiPerri, Assistant Clerk

Office Hours: M, W, Th, F Open 7 AM to 12:30 PM; and
Tuesdays 7 AM-11:45 AM (closing for lunch) open Tuesday afternoon 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM

Annual Report Supervisors of the Checklist

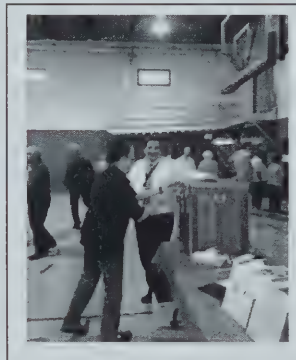
The 2013/2014 year was a pretty quiet one for us so far. We had our School District Meeting on March 10, 2014 where only 63 voters turned out to vote on an \$11.9 Million budget. We will have a registration session on March 25th and again on May 3rd for Town/School Elections to take place on May 13th and Town Meeting on May 17th, 2014. You may also register to vote at the Town Clerk's Office during her regular business hours up until 10 days prior to an election. Additionally, we register town voters on election days.

The fall of 2014 will be busier with a registration session September 2nd for the State Primary Election to take place September 9th and a registration session October 25th for the State General Election November 4th, 2014. If you have questions, please contact us at diannacharron@comcast.net or 887-2172 as we do not have regular hours in our office at 84 Chester Street, Chester, New Hampshire.

We would like to thank all of our dedicated Ballot Clerks. We would also like to thank Bucovina Cuisines for providing us with wonderful meals on election days.

Supervisors of the Checklist

Dianna Charron, Chair
Leslie Packard
Kathy Burke



The Supervisors of the Checklist and Ballot Clerks assure that voters are qualified, registered voters of the Town. Additionally, Officials assist in monitoring the elections and ballot votes on Warrant Articles at Town Meeting. (Photos from Town Meeting, 5/18/2013.)



Guess Who!

Annual Report Finance Department

I am pleased to submit the Annual Report of the Finance Department for the Town of Chester to taxpayers and residents. The department continues to outsource the overall financial management functions of the department to the accounting firm, Coppola and Associates. The firm brings many years of experience in municipal finance and management to the Town, and it is a pleasure to work with the staff and elected officials.

The Finance Department is charged with the management of all financial matters of the Town from vendor payments, payroll processing, cash management and account reconciliation to establishing internal control procedures, thereby mitigating financial risk for the community. Through the cooperation of all departments, we again had a pre-audit in June with the final audit work being completed the last week of August-the first week of September.

The Town's Fund Balance as of June 30, 2013 was \$1,319,084; approximately 9% of the State-recommendation of 8%-17% of regular, operating expenditures. The Town voted at the May 2013 Town Meeting to use \$160,000 to offset two Warrant Articles. Article #6 (new Capital Improvements Program) \$150,000 and Article #21 (Commemorative Monument) \$10,000. At the time of the tax rate setting, the Board of Selectmen decided to use an additional \$100,000 to help offset the tax rate. The Town retained \$1,059,084 - just over 8% of the State's recommendation.

This year was a challenge getting our tax rate due to various complications at the State level. The tax rate was confirmed on November 15th and the tax invoices mailed on November 20th, which is later than usual for Chester. Through the continued cooperation of the Town and School, we were again able to negate the need for a Tax Anticipation Note (TAN); thus saving the interest and costs that a Note would have incurred.

The Finance Department continues to work toward efficiency and transparency. Our goals include promoting and improving the financial management of the Town; increasing the productivity of the Department; strengthening internal control; updating and establishing proper financial policies and procedures while facilitating the professional growth of the dedicated staff. This past year, the Town approved several new Policies including Fire & Police Detail rates, Encumbrance, Cash Receipt, Fraud and Fund Balance Policy.

I wish to acknowledge and thank the Town's Bookkeeper, Marianne Duffy, and all departments for their continued support and cooperation.

Regards,

Joanne Smith
Finance Director

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer has duties established by state statute. In part, the statute, RSA 41:29, states that "The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all moneys belonging to the Town, and shall pay out the same only upon orders of the Selectmen...." These moneys are made up of property tax collections and various fees charged for services. When authorized by the Selectmen, the Treasurer pays out funds for current operating expenses and capital expenses (debt). The Treasurer must maintain enough liquidity to meet the everyday obligations of the Town, and invest surplus cash in risk-free investments. At times, the balance in the general fund can be substantial (when semi-annual property taxes are collected). Interest rates, and consequently interest earnings, continued at the historic low levels seen over the past two years. Interest rates are rising slightly, but are still at a near-zero rate. Because the investments of the Town must be 100% guaranteed, the interest earnings have been minimal and will remain low in the coming year. The balance in the General Fund generally exceeds the FDIC insurance limits. A collateralization procedure is used by our bank so that all of the Town's funds are always secure. Our bank purchases US Government securities in the Town's name for 102% of the current balance. The balances are monitored and the collateralization is adjusted on a weekly basis.

The Treasurer also has custody of Fair Share Contributions (impact fees) that are collected on the construction of new homes. All funds collected must be properly identified and promptly deposited in individual, interest bearing accounts. The town is currently collecting impact fees for Highways and Recreation. The following chart gives a summary of fees collected:

Impact Fee	# of Fees Collected 2011-Current	Total Amount Collected	Interest Earnings	Total	Withdrawals	Total on Deposit
Highway	4	4,328.00	1.40	\$4,329.40	0	\$4,329.40
Recreation	4	5,612.00	1.95	\$5,613.95	0	\$5,613.95

With careful oversight, the Town was able to meet all of its obligations, to the School District, County, Vendors, and Employees on a timely schedule without borrowing money in anticipation of property tax collections again this year.

The following page shows a schedule of Town accounts and the balances as of the last fiscal year end (June, 2013) and nine months into the current fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda Lamphere, Treasurer
My term expires in 2014

**Treasurer's Report
Statement of Account
Balances**

	Balance 6/30/2013	Balance 3/31/2014
General Fund		
Checking	\$3,310,092	\$462,896
Investment	\$2,828,656	\$3,191,942
Target Balance	\$250,000	\$250,000
Credit Card/ACH	\$117,848	\$44,360
Total General Fund	\$6,506,596	\$3,949,198
 Agricultural Commission	 \$28	 \$28
Conservaton-General Acct	\$188,467	\$239,900
Conservation-Forestry	\$33,499	\$33,501
CC-Lincoln Lane Foot Bridge	\$3,004	\$3,004
Fire Dept-Special Details	\$2,727	\$229
Impact Fees	\$9,942	\$9,943
Off Site Fees	\$42,714	\$37,394
PACT	\$67,637	\$77,806
Police Dept-Drug Forfeiture	\$1,718	\$1,718
Police Dept-Special Details	\$39,471	\$48,663
Recreation	\$44,209	\$43,223
Road Surety-Abdallah	\$11,298	\$3,418
Road Surety-Sterling Homes	\$231,587	\$0
Total	\$676,301	\$498,827

Annual Report Trustees of the Trust Funds

March 13, 2014

Your Trustees of Chester's Trust Funds meet regularly throughout the year to monitor the performance of the trust funds and capital reserve funds that are invested to the benefit of various town departments and organizations. These funds are invested in accordance with the RSA's of the State of New Hampshire as well as the investment policies of the Town of Chester.

The board works with, and is advised by, an accredited, professional financial firm to make certain: (1) that any new funds are promptly set up in accordance with State laws; and (2) that any additional funds coming forward to the benefit of any existing fund are promptly invested to return the maximum prudently available return, while striving to protect the principal from devaluation. Also, the board files annual reports with the State of New Hampshire and provides complete information on the funds to the Board of Selectmen through the Town's Finance Director, the Budget Committee and to the Town's auditing firm. We are also available to the fund beneficiaries as well as the general public throughout the year.

The funds that are overseen by the Trustees consist of Trust funds and Capital Reserve funds.

The Trust Funds consist of the Cemetery Perpetual Care Trusts, the Fire Department Trusts, the Public and School Library Trusts, and the Town Poor Trusts (more commonly called the Wilcomb-Townsend Trusts). The Trust Funds were all funded by private donations to the specific fund.

The Capital Reserve Funds are those funds that are instituted by vote of the Town legislative body at the annual Town Meetings. Generally, they are used to set money aside for anticipated or unanticipated needs in order to reduce swings in the annual budget. The current reserves and brief reason for origination are as follows, chronologically by year of inception:

1991	Chester Fire Dept.	Capital Expenditures
2000	School Repairs	For unforeseen major repairs in order to reduce the annual budget
2007	Municipal Complex Improvements	Capital Expenditures
2007	Wason Pond Recreation	Capital Expenditures
2007	Winter Road Maintenance	For heavy winter expense in order to reduce the annual budget
2008	Mosquito Trapping	Capital Expenditures
2008	Children with Disabilities	For unforeseen encumbrances to reduce the annual budget
2008	Building Improvement Fund	Capital Expenditures
2008	Equipment and Vehicles	Capital Expenditures
2009	Revaluation	Capital Expenditures

2010	North Pond Rd. Upgrade	Capital Expenditures
2012	Unanticipated Building Maintenance	For unforeseen repairs in order to reduce the annual budget
2013	Cemetery Maintenance Fund	To facilitate Village Cemetery Trustees book keeping
2013	Capital Improvement Plan	To fund the Capital Improvement Plan
2013	Commemorative Monument Fund	For a monument to highly valued citizens
2013	300 th Anniversary Fund	To fund Chester's upcoming 300 th Anniversary celebration

Complete detail of all these funds is found elsewhere in your report.

During the past three years, improvements in equity markets have increased the value of the trust funds. However, almost all of the trust fund and capital reserve fund revenue comes from interest on fixed income and money market investments. Since interest rates, as we all know, have been kept low by the Federal Reserve throughout the past year, even though the portfolio value increases, the distribution of revenue for the fiscal year 2013-2014 is still expected to be lower than during the years of significantly higher interest rates. Your Board of Trustees reviews the investments on a quarterly basis with our advisor to insure that growth instruments are converted to dividend-paying instruments as soon as any losses in principal occur, due to inflation, in order to maximize payouts to beneficiaries.

There was no candidate for the open Trustee of the Trust Funds position in May of 2013, so Jim Hoffman, who received votes, was appointed by the Moderator, and Ephraim Dobbins, who has served the Town well in his Trustee capacity, agreed to another term.

Respectfully submitted,

Colin Costine	2015
Ephraim Dobbins	2016
James Hoffman	2014

Assessing Department

The main function of the Assessing Department is to ensure that all homes are fairly and equitably assessed which ensures that each taxpayer is paying their fair share of the total tax burden of the town. When changes are made to a property, we must view the property and change the value of the property accordingly. Properties that have been issued building permits, are under new construction, or have had subdivision or lot line adjustments are reviewed annually. All assessments are based on a snap-shot date of April 1 of the current tax year.

In addition to valuing all the properties in town, the Assessing Department has some lesser-known functions. Some of these additional functions are: Tax Mapping, Processing and maintaining Veterans Credits, Elderly, Disabled and Blind exemptions, timber and excavation operations, current use properties and consequent land use change taxes, property transfers and address changes.

This year, we are going in a new direction with our Tax Mapping and have teamed up with Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission to update our maps. Chester will be their first experience in maintaining tax maps; and they will be our first experience in working on a GIS platform. We are really excited about this new partnership and the possibilities it will open up for all departments! Our current 2013 tax maps have been added to the town website and now, for the first time, can be viewed online.

Municipal Resources, Inc. continues to be our consulting firm for assessing matters. Scott Marsh and Jerry Quintal are assigned as our primary assessing agents. Mr. Marsh is in the office on an as-needed basis and reviews all abatements, as well as, consults with Jean on properties and other issues that need further review. Mr. Quintal assists with viewing and measuring properties.

It is requested that if any of the assessors come to your property, please support the town's efforts to keep assessments equitable and fair by answering their questions and by allowing them to measure and list (describe) your improvements.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call, email or come into the office. and we will be happy to answer and assist. Please be aware that the Assessing staff is out of the office at times to conduct property inspections and information may not be available immediately.

All of our properties are online and can be viewed through a link on the town website: www.chesternh.org. Vision Government Solutions is our webhost and also can be accessed directly at: www.vgsi.com.

Department Contact Information:

Jean Packard, Assistant Assessor
Phone : (603) 887-4045

Fax : (603) 887-4404
E-Mail : chesterassr@gsinet.net

Current Tax Rate 2013: \$25.17 per thousand
Estimated Equalization Ratio for 2013: 100%
Zoning R1 – Minimum Lot size 2 Acres, 290' Frontage

TYPES OF TAX EXEMPTIONS / CREDITS

ELDERLY EXEMPTION

off assessed valuation

AMOUNT	REQUIRED AGE	INCOME LIMITATION	ASSET LIMITS
\$110,000	65 TO 74	Not in excess of:	Not in excess of
\$140,000	75 TO 79	\$30,000 Single	\$300,000
\$170,000	80 AND UP	\$60,000 married	excluding the value of the residence and up to 2 acres of land

Taxpayer must also be resident of New Hampshire for 5 years and own and occupy real estate individually or jointly. If real estate is owned by spouse, they have to have been married for at least 5 years.

PERMANENTLY DISABLED

off assessed
valuation

\$110,000

Same income and asset limitations as elderly exemption. Taxpayer must be deemed disabled by The Social Security Administration and receiving benefits.

BLIND EXEMPTION

off assessed
valuation

\$30,000

Every inhabitant owning residential real estate, and who is legally blind, as determined by the administrator of blind services of the vocational rehabilitation division of the education department.

Veterans Credits

Surviving Spouse
Tax Credit

\$2,000

The surviving unmarried spouse of any person who was killed or died while on active duty in the armed forces, as listed in RSA 72:28.

**Service-Connected
Disability**
Tax Credit

\$2,000

Any person who has been honorably discharged and received a form DD-214, and who has a total and permanent service connected disability, or is a double amputee or paraplegic because of the service-connected injury, or the surviving spouse of such a person if such surviving spouse has not remarried

Standard
Tax Credit

\$500

Every resident who served in the armed forces in any of the qualifying wars or armed conflicts, as listed in RSA 72:28, and was honorably discharged; or the spouse/surviving spouse of such resident

Qualifying Awards for the Veterans' Tax Credit For Wars or Conflicts after May 8, 1975

List provided by NH State Veterans Council

Any of the following medals shall be considered a "theater of operations service medal" for the purposes of qualifying a veteran for the Veterans' Tax Credit in RSA 72:28. Typically, the medal will appear on the discharge papers (such as the DD214), except for those who earned the medal, but were discharged prior to the award. There must be documentation to qualify.

- Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
- Navy Expeditionary Medal
- Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal
- Southwest Asia Service Medal
- Kuwait Liberation Medal
- Kosovo Campaign Medal
- Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal
- Afghanistan Campaign Medal
- Iraq Campaign Medal

In addition, in the absence of evidence to the contrary, the award of the following decorations shall also be considered evidence of a veteran's combat service and qualification for the Veterans' Tax Credit:

Reference: "V" Device: "V" stands for Valor, and it is awarded to denote combat service.

If so specified, the medal must have the "V" Device to be valid.

- Air Force Cross
- Air Force Outstanding Unit Award **with "V" Device**
- Air Medal **with "V" Device**
- Army Commendation Medal **with "V" Device**
- Bronze Star Medal **with "V" Device**
- Combat Action Ribbon
- Combat Infantryman Badge
- Combat Medical Badge
- Combat Aircrew Insignia
- Distinguished Flying Cross
- Distinguished Service Cross
- Joint Service Commendation Medal **with "V" Device**
- Medal of Honor
- Navy Commendation Medal **with "V" Device**
- Navy Cross
- Purple Heart
- Silver Star

Current as of: April 25, 2005

Website www.nh.gov/revenue/property_tax references this list and the Veterans Qualifying Discharge Papers list.

Planning Board Report

Contact: Cynthia J. Robinson, Planning Coordinator
Phone: 887-5629

Did you know that if you operate a small business out of your home you need a permit from either the Building Inspector or the Planning Board? You can view the Home Occupation/Home Business Ordinance Section 4.9 in the Chester Zoning Ordinance online at chesternh.org click on Planning Board.

Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission (SNHPC)

The Planning Board continues to work with SNHPC on updating Tables and Growth Management Thresholds in the Capital Improvements Program and the impact fee methodology for public safety.

Ongoing Planning Board Activities

The Planning Board hopes to update the Master Plan. The update would include an online survey to provide residents with the opportunity to convey to the Planning Board how they would like to see Chester develop.

The Planning Board will be working on developing a Village District Zone for the center of Town to include portions of Chester Street, Haverhill Road and NH Route 102 (Raymond Road & Derry Road). This project will be worked on throughout the remainder of this year.

Other Planning Board Activity:

Subdivisions

- Approved Subdivision Applications (Residential) 5
Locations
 - Harantis Lake Road
 - Orcutt Drive
 - Chester Street - 2
 - Haverhill Road
- Site Plan 4
- Lot Line Adjustment 1

Assets

Gross receipts from applications as of 6/30/13	\$11,425.00
Balance of Off-Site Improvement funds as of 6/30/13	\$42,713.84
Impact Fees as of 12/31/13	\$ 0

Proposed Zoning Amendments

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment # 1** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend: Section 5.7 Wetlands Conservation District: Delete in its entirety Subsection 5.7.8 “Special Exception for Nonconforming Lots” and move the deleted text to Subsection 5.3.3.7 under “Special Exception Uses”, and renumber subsequent subsections of Section 5.7?

Amend: Delete from the current Subsection 5.3.3.7 the words “...under Subsection 5.7.8,” rename as Subsection 5.3.3.7 “Nonconforming Lots”?

Purpose: This amendment is to streamline the Ordinance and eliminate confusion created by the current Section 5.7.8, by addressing special exceptions for nonconforming wetland lots within the section of the Ordinance that addresses other special exception uses.

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment # 2** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend: Section 6.3 – Applicability – Amend section by adding a reference to “Table 1 Dimensional and Area Requirements.”

Purpose: This amendment is to clarify by reminding people there is also an option to develop land as a conventional subdivision.

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment # 3** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend: Section 11.5 – Expiration of Special Exception and Variance – Amend section by changing current expiration date of one (1) year to two (2) years, as required to comply with N.H. R.S.A. 674:33, I-a, so that Section 11.5 reads as follows?

“11.5 Expiration of Special Exception and Variance – After a permit has been authorized by the Board of Adjustment as a result of a request for a Special Exception or Variance, and if such permit has not been implemented within two (2) years of the date of such authorization, then such authorization shall become null and void and no permit shall be

issued thereafter. The Board of Adjustment, at the Applicant's request, may grant a single, twelve (12) month extension."

Purpose: To comply with N.H. Revised Statutes Annotated 674:33, I-a.

Copies of any of these amendments are available in the Planning Board Office, Town Clerk's Office and Selectmen's Office during regular business hours. Questions about these amendments should be addressed to the Planning Board Office.

The Board welcomes any questions and input regarding the Town of Chester Zoning Ordinance and Regulations. The Board meets on the first, second and fourth Wednesdays of the month in the Meeting Room at the Chester Municipal Office Building starting at 7:00 P.M. Anyone interested in becoming a Planning Board member should attend Planning Board meetings and express their interest to Board members.

The Planning Board Office is located at 84 Chester Street, Room 5, in the Municipal Office Building. The Planning Board Office hours are per the schedule set by the Board of Selectmen. The Town of Chester Zoning Ordinance and Regulations can be viewed on Chester's website [chesternh.org] by clicking on Planning Board.

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Respectfully submitted,
Chester Planning Board

Brian Sullivan, Chairman
Evan Sederquest, Vice Chairman
Andrew Hadik
Liz Richter
Cass Buckley
Michael Weider
Maureen Lein, Alternate
Richard Le Blanc, Ex-Officio

Staff

Cynthia J. Robinson, Planning Coordinator

Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Zoning Board of Adjustment has continued this year to hear applications for Variances, Special Exceptions, Appeals from Administrative Decisions and Equitable Waivers. We have also performed several site walks. Some Board Members have attended lectures given by the NH Municipal Association in an effort to keep updated on new legal cases pertaining to zoning, current land use laws, and municipal issues. Classes are also available for new Board Members.

The Board strives to make impartial and fair decisions, taking into account the needs and desires of the applicant while respecting the goals and objectives of the Chester Zoning Ordinance.

We are always looking for interested residents who would like to join the Board. You are welcome to attend a regular meeting to observe what we do. The Zoning Board meets the third Tuesday of each month.

The Administrative Assistant to the Board is Janet Boyden. Office hours are presently 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday and Friday.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Janet for keeping the office and board running so smoothly. There is a lot of work involved meeting deadlines, researching information, talking to applicants and preparing for meetings. Mrs. Boyden has been with the Board for many years, and we hope she will continue for many years to come.

I would also like to thank the following Board Members for the unselfish sacrifice of their time and dedication to the Town of Chester during the past year.

	Term Expiration
Robert Packard, Vice Chairperson	2014
Charlotte Lister	2014
Kevin Scott	2015
Jean Methot, Alternate	2016
Cass Buckley, Alternate/PB Rep	2014

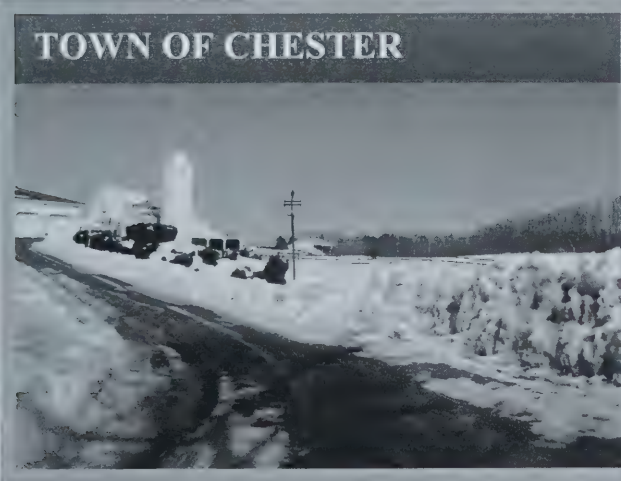
Respectfully submitted,

Billie Maloney, Chairperson 2015
Zoning Board of Adjustment

Annual Report Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission



The Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission has a wide range of services and resources available to help dues-paying members deal with a variety of municipal issues. Technical assistance is provided by a professional staff whose expertise is, when necessary, supplemented by consultants selected for their specialized skills or services. Each year, with the approval of appointed representatives, the Commission's staff designs and carries out programs of area-wide significance mandated by New Hampshire and federal laws or regulations, as well as local projects which pertain more exclusively to a specific community.



Technical assistance is provided in a professional and timely manner by staff at the request of the Planning Board and/or Board of Selectmen. The Commission conducts planning studies and carries out projects of common interest and benefit to all member communities; keeps officials apprised of changes in planning and land use regulation; and in conjunction with the New Hampshire Municipal Association, offers annual training workshops for Planning Board and Zoning Board members.

Services performed for the Town of Chester during the past year are as follows. Hours listed represent work for the Town only; in projects involving multiple municipalities the total hours spent by SNHPC staff is higher. For example, 2,364 hours were spent by SNHPC

staff working on the Granite State Future project for the 14 municipalities in the region; equally dividing the total hours results in 169 hours of benefits that can be attributed to the Town.

No.	Hours	Project Description
1.	169	 Currently updating the SNHPC Regional Comprehensive Plan as part of a Statewide initiative to develop a vision and determine how SNHPC should plan for the future. The SNHPC Granite State Future program is referred to as <i>Moving Southern New Hampshire Forward</i> and involved facilitation of both statewide and regional public visioning workshops and public outreach events to obtain public input and participation to shape the vision and plan that is developed for the region and the State. A regional Advisory Committee is leading the <i>Moving Southern New Hampshire Forward</i> program and consists of local community organizations and private institutions, as well as municipal representatives to guide the development and drafting of the regional plan;
2.	114	Provided technical assistance to Chester Planning Board by preparing methodology and report for setting forth for the first time impact fees for police and fire safety. The impact fees was primarily for the acquisition of police and fire vehicles and related equipment to address the costs for these vehicles as a result of new growth and development in the community;

3.	86	Provided staff support to Robert Frost/Old Stagecoach Scenic Byway, including meeting preparation, mapping (with assistance from GIS staff) and ongoing compilation/production of Corridor Management Plan; Conducted surveys and prepared broadband maps showing available broadband technologies and services existing in the region and within each municipality, including
4.	53	facilitating Advisory Committee meetings made up of representatives and Information Technology staff from each of the 14 municipalities in the region to identify goals, objectives and recommendations for inclusion in a broadband plan for the region. This project was funded through a grant awarded to the University of New Hampshire. GIS staff worked with a contact in each town to verify broadband service availability data, as well as continuously made updates to the Regional Community Anchor Institutions maps; Updated the regional ITS Architecture to fulfill Federal requirements. The update included refinements to the ITS needs and associated services, ITS inventory, functional requirements of the ITS subsystems, interface requirements and information exchanges, interagency agreements, ITS standards, and project sequence;
5.	29	Updated land use data using 2010 aerial;
6.	27	Represented the interests of the Town on the CART Board of Directors and the CART Executive Committee;
7.	21	Reviewed and updated New Hampshire's federal functional classification and National Highway System (NHS), and adjusted or "smoothed" the Census 2010-established urban area boundaries;
8.	16	Conducted traffic counts at fourteen (14) locations in the Town of Chester and forwarded data to the Town;
9.	14	Facilitated Advisory Committee meetings made up of representatives from each of the 14 municipalities in the region to identify and develop mutually beneficial service models to share municipal resources and pursue group purchasing to save costs. This project was funded through a grant awarded by the NH Charitable Foundation;
10.	14	Represented the interests of the Town on the Region 9 Regional Coordinating Council for the Statewide Coordination of Community Transportation Services Project;
11.	10	Assisted the Town in the development of projects for the FY 2015 – FY 2024 Ten Year Highway Plan including attending a meeting of the Planning Board;
12.	10	Compiled building permit data and certificate of occupancy permit records to record dwelling unit totals from all municipalities in the region and prepared a summary Land Use Report;
13.	10	

Provided staff support to the Regional Trails Coordinating Council; provided meeting notes, finalized strategic plan, assisted with continued logo development/marketing;



14. 10

Coordinated the Road Safety Audit (RSA) for the intersection of NH 102/North Pond Road and participated in the RSA;

15. 9.5

Revised Developments of Regional Impact Review Guidelines for use by all communities in the region;

16. 7

Created interactive maps displaying traffic count locations and traffic volumes for the Town of Chester. Maps are now available on the SNHPC.org website;

17. 6

Facilitated the Southern New Hampshire Region Community Preparedness Program and provided plan updates and public service announcements for member communities;

18. 5



Provided staff assistance to Statewide Coordinating Council for Community Transportation (SCC);

19. 4

Researched, provided education, and promoted the viability of a food hub within the greater Manchester area. Conducted this Foodshed Mapping Project with funding from the Hillsborough County Conservation District and supported by grant funds provided by Stoneyfield Farm. Mapping was completed on this project by GIS staff;

20. 4

Participated on two subcommittees of the NH BPTAC (Bike-Ped Transportation Advisory Committee) – Outreach/Marketing and Counting, formed in October;

21. 3

Updated base maps for the Town of Chester. Updates included using GPS for any new roads to add them to the base maps;

22. 3

Organized and facilitated several Municipal Planners' Roundtable and Natural Resource Advisory Committee meetings for Planning Department staff and planning board members on a variety of planning topics both local and regional. These meetings were held on March 21, July 18, September 19 and December 19, 2013;

23. 2

Analyzed NHDOT's crash database to identify high accident locations. A list of high accident locations for the community was prepared.

24. 1

Town of Chester Representatives to the Commission

Janet Boyden

Patricia Martin

Executive Committee Member: Janet Boyden

Annual Report Village Cemetery Trustees

The Village Cemetery Trustees oversee the following cemetery lots:

1. *Chester Village Cemetery, an historic cemetery in the center of Town at the intersection of NH 102 & 121. The Chester Village Cemetery is noted as one of the oldest in the State and was purchased in 1751 by Col. John Blunt for 70 pounds.*
2. *Sanborn Cemetery (on Fremont Road).*
3. *Branch Cemetery (Town line, Chester/Raymond, NH Rt. 102).*
4. *Rod & Gun Cemetery (Rod & Gun Club Rd, on right just before the Church).*
5. *Osgood Cemetery (Wells Village Rd, on left, headed towards Sandown).*
6. *Norton Cemetery (off of Lane Rd., on 'Norton Rd.')*
7. *Smith Road Cemetery (North Chester)*
8. *Lane Road Cemetery #1 (near Richardson's)*
9. *Lane Road Cemetery #2 (at #178)*
10. *Unnamed Family lot*
11. *Unnamed Family lot*

To the citizens of the Town of Chester:

It has been a busy year doing the needed upkeep and with a great deal of forward progress. We replaced the last Craftsman lawn mower that was purchased in 2007 and now transferred to the Maintenance Department to be used to pull their new leaf vacuum which has worked out very well for them. We also replaced the push mower after six years of service. The new mower is a commercial grade unit. Additionally, we purchased a pole saw allowing us to cut low, obstruction branches from the shade trees. This tool allows us to reduce our costs of hiring a tree cutter and accommodates a better view and experience for people visiting their loved ones in our Cemeteries. We called in an arborist to assess, clean up, and advise us about our trees at Chester Village Cemetery; we are hoping for more years of service from them. In the Spring, we will be ordering some Liberty Elm Trees from the Elm Research Institute in Keene, New Hampshire. When they arrive, we will be placing them throughout the Cemeteries where they will have the best effect.

A marking fence was installed at the Lane Road Cemetery so the boundaries are now marked, and one stone will be placed in the Cemetery this Spring. Also, we will be looking at a Cemetery that we were told about on Chester Rod & Gun Club Road. We will need to go to the State to find out the name(s) of the people interred there and to find out any other information about it. The gravel driveway in the new part of North Chester Cemetery was completed as well as re-loaming and seeding of the left side. Sanborn Cemetery gates were removed and repainted. The large gate will be completed this year along with some of the gates of the Chester Village Cemetery. During this past Summer, the task of cleaning up the appearance of the head stones in Sanborn, North Chester and Branch Cemeteries was accomplished and roadside brush was trimmed back. The pipe fencing around our second

Cemetery on Lane Road was repaired and painted by our Sexton along with his mowing and trimming duties at the Chester Village Cemetery.

Some of the things that you will see us accomplishing this year are:

1. Replacing the bark mulch along the inside fence and rock walls at the Chester Village Cemetery;
2. Repairing the rock wall along NH Rt. 102 at the Chester Village Cemetery;
3. Repair and maintenance of head stone(s), complete the head stone and rock wall washing project at the Chester Village Cemetery;
4. Restacking the stone boundary walls starting at Sanborn Cemetery;
5. Replacing loam and reseeding sunken internment sites, trimming grass around maintenance-free ground markers;
6. We will be planting trees throughout our Cemeteries as soon as the trees are delivered;
7. Trimming the brush and removing the dead trees along the back and side walls of Branch Cemetery so we will be able to access the back entrance;
8. Continue trimming bush and cleaning up around the outside perimeters of the 11 Cemeteries under our care;
9. We will be re-shingling the roof and painting the doors as preventative maintenance on the maintenance shed at the Chester Village Cemetery in order to extend its life as well as to protect the equipment that is stored in it.
10. This Fall, we are looking forward to working with Eagle Scout, Ted Young, who will be raising funds to build a maintenance shed at the North Chester Cemetery to store tools and equipment that is needed there. This Eagle Scout Project will save the Town time and money by reducing the costs of transporting equipment each week to do the grounds upkeep of our Cemeteries.

Respectfully submitted,

Village Cemetery Trustees

Aaron Mansur, Chair (2014)

Geoffrey Barnett (2016)

David Mark Sanborn (2015)



The Chester Village Cemetery was entered in the National Register of Historic Places in Washington, D.C. on November 29, 1979.

*"A good number of monuments are attributed to Abel Webster, a Yankee stone mason buried elsewhere in the Cemetery." His monuments feature "turned down lips, oval faces with wings, double lines around face, flanked by stars or pinwheels, spectacles around eyes, clenched teeth, deep punctuation marks, filling up much of the space on the monument."
(from R.D. Benton, Chester, NH, April 10th 1989.)*

Great Hill Cemetery
Chester, New Hampshire

Established 1941

Mission Statement

"To provide perpetual care of the cemetery and oversee cemetery operations, rules & regulations, and decorum. To guide and assist Chester residents and their loved ones in the purchase preparation, and maintenance of a final resting place. In trust, to assure this place is one of beauty, peace, and dignity that honors those who are buried here, their families and friends, and the Chester community."

Cemetery activity for 2013 was as follows:

1. In 2013 our Chairman and Treasurer, John Nucci, retired from the Board to pursue other volunteer activities. The Board thanks John for his time and efforts on behalf of Great Hill Cemetery.
2. Maintenance work was accomplished on our storage shed. The Trustees gave hours of painting, and shingling the building which had been neglected for a period of years. We thank Richard Noyes, Darrell Quinn, and Donald Brown for their time and expertise.
3. Donald Brown was elected to the Board of Trustees and voted to be the new Treasurer.
4. The Trustees would like to thank Lloyd Healey for his donation of nine squares of shingles to Great Hill Cemetery for the storage shed.
5. The Trustees thank D. M. Demers and W.H. Roberts for their donations of \$225.00, respectively, for the purchase of trees in memory of loved ones. Two sugar maples were purchased and planted by Dillon Old Farm Nursery of Chester, New Hampshire.
6. The Trustees thank Darrell Quinn for his professional caretaking of Great Hill Cemetery. Many compliments have been received on the appearance and upkeep of the Cemetery.
7. The Trustees thank Richard Bellemore for his availability and use of equipment for the Cemetery. It is great to know that he makes himself available and puts Great Hill Cemetery ahead of other work as needed. Richard does a good job and is willing to adhere to the requirements that Great Hill Cemetery sets forth.

8. For the second year in a row, Fire Department flags were set out along with the Veteran flags that are normally set out. These flags are placed in memory of deceased members and were well received. We thank the Chester Fire Department Chief Richard Antoine and the Chester Fire Association for the flags. A few people have purchased Fire Department flag holders for their loved ones. Anyone desiring to do the same may contact John Colman at 496-6703 or Darrell Quinn at 303-3509. The price range is in the area of \$25.00 each.
9. The storage maintenance shed was vandalized on October 20, 2013. A claim was submitted to the insurance company and funds in the amount of \$1,889.90 were received after meeting the deductible.
10. Lots sold in 2013 = 9. Number of full burials = 9. Urn burials = 14.
11. The Treasurer's Report as of February 24th, 2014:

Total Funds held for Great Hill Cemetery: \$44,930.73

The funds are held in the following manner:

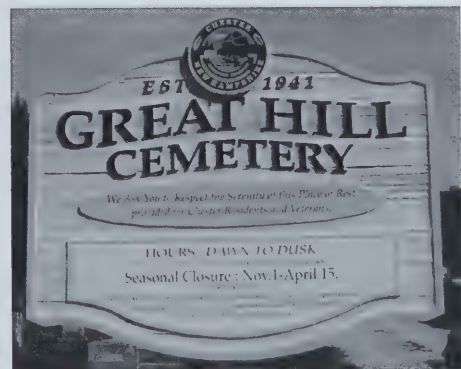
Checking Account:	\$ 2,489.63
Savings Account:	\$12,309.65
Certificate of Deposit:	\$30,131.45

Note Bene: The Great Hill Cemetery continues to be wholly financed by the cemetery funds, accounts, and reserves. No taxes and/or Town financial support are solicited or required.

Respectfully submitted,

Great Hill Cemetery Trustees

John Colman, Trustee, Chairman
 Donald Brown, Trustee, Treasurer
 Darrell Quinn, Trustee, Caretaker and Maintenance
 Penny Henderson, Trustee, Secretary
 Richard Noyes, Trustee



Annual Report
Calendar Year 1/1/2013 to 12/31/2013
Chester Police Department



Mission Statement

The mission of the Chester Police Department, in partnership with the community, is to promote and to maintain a peaceful, safe and secure environment. The Department recognizes its members as its most valuable resource and will strive to maintain the quality of public service through committed leadership, supervisory direction, career development, and training.

2013 was again a busy and productive year for the Chester Police Department. Our officers worked extremely hard answering calls for service. Over two hundred (200) people were arrested for various criminal infractions; such as burglaries, sexual assaults, disorderly conduct, criminal threatening, criminal trespass, alcohol/drug violations and domestic violence issues. Some of these cases involved hundreds of man hours to investigate. Our officers also stopped hundreds of vehicles for a variety of violations including Speed, Operating after Suspension, and Impaired Driving.

Driving while intoxicated and reports of impaired drivers decreased by about 14% in 2013. Accidents increased by about 10%. The total number of summonses and warnings decreased. Part of the reason for this is that the officers are out on the road patrolling and being seen. This in itself slows motorists down and they comply with the rules of the road. I am extremely happy to say that we did not have any fatalities on the roads of Chester this past year.

The Chester Police Department continues to deal with calls involving mental health issues. These calls can be quite dangerous to our officers as well as the parties involved. We will continue to train on these important issues and other issues as they come to the forefront of our work.

Theft and fraud calls as well as Gun permits, and pawn activity increased in 2013. The driving factor in these calls is the addiction to illegal and prescription drugs. The problem is much worse than some think and is sometimes in our own back yards. The price of heroin continues to be low and the quality remains high. Many people have lost their lives in New Hampshire recently because of the purity of the heroin as well as the other drugs heroin is sometimes mixed with.

There has been a large increase in gun sales as many people now feel that they have to protect themselves and their property. Nearly a week goes by that we do not deal with someone carrying a handgun, whether it is legal or illegal.

In the Police Department, there have been a few changes in personnel this past year. Unfortunately in a small department, personnel turnover can be more frequent because of the smaller pay scale and some officers wanting to work for larger departments with more “action” and calls for service. Hopefully we can continue to look at ways to keep our officers happy and content so they will want to be with us for many years.

We currently have six (6) full-time officers and six (6) part-time officers including myself. Filling the open Full-time slot, Officer Richard Ferrero joins us from the State of Washington. Ferrero is originally from the East coast and was a full-time officer with the Mill Creek Police Department. He has received a full-time certification with the NH Police Standards and Training Council and will be on the road by the time you read this report.

Filling an open part-time slot is Officer Randy Kerkman. Kerkman joins us from Pinellas Park Florida where he was a full-time Officer and Narcotics Detective. Randy also has ties to the East Coast area. Randy received his full-time certification from the Police Academy and will be able to work unlimited part-time hours. I would like to welcome both Officers to the Chester Police Department.

The midnight shift officers have been out there fighting crime and slowing traffic down and have done an outstanding job. In fact a good majority of the drunk and impaired driving arrests occur after midnight. You may be surprised at what goes on after midnight after you are home snug in your beds.

D.A.R.E. has been taught in the Chester schools for over eighteen years and is still going strong. Officers Sable and Haggart have returned to Chester Academy for their second year as D.A.R.E. Officers. The teachers and kids love Will and Scott!

I continue to hold the position of Chairman of the Highway Safety Committee which meets four times a year. All are welcome and I encourage any residents to stop by and sit in on the meetings. We appreciate your input. The Chester Joint Loss Management Committee and Chester Academy Safety Committee also meet several times a year. It is important to have these committees so we can continue to keep our employees and residents safe.

I trained several hours in 2013 in order to maintain my certification. In addition to firearms and deadly force training (yes I can still hit the target!) I have also taken several online courses and webinars to keep up with the laws and administrative duties of a Police Chief. I try to learn something new every day.

Lt. Berube continues to further his education focusing on command and executive training. Aaron has been involved in every major case that has come to the department

and is excellent with his investigation skills as well as his interview and interrogation techniques. Because of this the Chester Police Department has a near perfect prosecution rate for major crimes.

Officer Loveless is a Field Training Officer as well as our Firearms Instructor and does an outstanding job. Tim is training our new officers and preparing them for “the streets” as we speak. It is not an easy job!

Having the ability to keep much of our training cost-free and in-house allows us to save the town money by limiting overtime, etc., for our Officers. Proper training is very important in order to keep up with the ever-changing laws that are enacted in New Hampshire, as well as across the country. Some of the courses taken by our Officers are Firearms Instructor, Shotgun Instructor, Defensive Tactics Instructor, Taser Instructor, O.C. Instructor, Simunitions, CPR, First Aid, Dealing with Mental Illness, and Legal Updates. There are also many on-line courses and webinars offered through the NH Police Standards and Training. I am extremely proud of all of our officers and the sacrifices they make to the town of Chester and the Police Department.

The Chester Police Department has been very fortunate to have received several grants from the NH Highway Safety Commission. The grants are used to enforce speed in specific areas and to take drunk and drugged drivers off the roads. We have been extremely successful with these grants and we plan to apply for them for many years to come. I am excited to say that we have also been awarded a grant for \$3,750 from the Department of Justice to assist in purchasing bullet resistant vests. This is a 50/50 grant which is matched by the town and will allow us to replace vests after a five year recommended replacement period.

I would like to thank the residents of this great Town for your continued support as we continue to make the Chester Police Department one of the best departments in Rockingham County. I would like to thank all of my Officers and Administrative Assistant for the great job they do. Their pride, teamwork, and dedication are what make this Department such a special place. A big thank you to the various department heads, the Board of Selectmen, and the Budget Committee for their ongoing support and to the wonderful people in the town offices who are always willing to help on a moment's notice. Additionally, I wish to extend my appreciation to Fire Chief Rich Antoine and Road Agent Mike Oleson. They are truly dedicated to the Town and it shows through the countless hours they spend each day and night keeping the residents of this Town safe. It is nice to know that either of them are just a phone call away.

I am proud to serve the Town of Chester as its Police Chief. Please do not hesitate to call me, e-mail me, or stop by and see me with any concerns, problems, or ideas that you may have. You may also check our web page at chesternh.org. Together we can make our community a place that we are proud to call home.

Sincerely,
William Burke
Chief of Police



Full-Time Police Officers:

Aaron Berube, Lieutenant
Timothy Loveless, Patrolman
Will Sable, Patrolman/D.A.R.E.
Andrew DiPerri, Patrolman

Part-Time Police Officers:

Scott Haggart, Patrolman/D.A.R.E.
Harold Gardner, Patrolman
Joe Dyrkacz, Patrolman
Robert McConn, Patrolman
Nicholas McLellan, Patrolman
Randy Kerkman, Patrolman

Administrative Assistant:

Linda Pomeroy

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Chief's E-Mail: Chief@gsinet.net

**Chester Police Department
Highlights of Calendar Year
January 2013 to December 2013**

Arrests	204	Disorderly Conduct	7
Restraining Orders Logged	18	Driving While Intoxicated/Report of	56
C i t a t i o n s I s s u e d	451	Drug Violations	24
Warnings Issued	2582	Forgery/Fraud	32
Motor Vehicle Crash Reports	85	Hunting Complaints/Violations	0
Pistol Permit Applications	178	Juvenile Arrests	34
Sexual Offender Registration	5	Juvenile Problems/Services	11
9-1-1 Calls	20	Noise Complaints/Disturbances	34
Alarm Activations	128	Paperwork Services	142
Alcohol Violations	74	Police Information	269
Animal Control	176	Protective Custody	32
Arson	0	Repossessed Vehicles	3
Assaults	28	Resident Fingerprinting	69
Assist Fire Department/Rescue	171	Sexual Assaults/Sex Offenses	4
Assist Law Enforcement	139	Stolen Vehicles	1
Attempted Burglaries	7	Suspicious Person/Incident Calls	259
Bad Check Violations	3	Thefts	41
Burglaries	4	Trespass Violations	46
Citizen Assist	86	Unattended Deaths	2
Criminal Mischief/Vandalism	54	Vacation Notice	71
Criminal Threatening/Harassment	28	Weapons/Explosive Violations	16
		Total Offenses	2906
		Total Felonies	77

Chester Fire Department
In case of emergency call 911

For permits and all other Fire Department business:

Weekdays – Call the Fire Station at 887-3878

Nights and weekends – Call the Duty Officer phone at 365-7184.

E-mail: chesterfire@mygsc.com

Your Chester Fire Department is staffed by two full-time certified Fire Officers. They provide station coverage in staggered shifts between the hours of 7:30 AM and 6:00 PM from Monday through Friday. Thirty-two dedicated department members proudly serve the community as certified firefighters and EMTs on a paid-per-call basis 24/7.

As a reminder to all residents, please maintain your **smoke detectors**. Keep in mind that not only do the batteries need to be changed twice a year, but the detectors themselves should be replaced every 10 years. All homes should have **carbon monoxide (CO) detectors**. The number of CO alarm incidences to which the department responded went up significantly this year, mostly due to CO alarm activation. CO is a silent killer. It will make you nauseous and sleepy. You cannot smell it, which is why a detector is so important. We recommend that you position CO alarms in the garage and on every floor. Additionally, it is recommended to have furnace cleanings done yearly.

Regarding burning, the State of New Hampshire requires homeowners to have a **burn permit** for all outside fires. This includes fires in pits, chiminias and outdoor fireplaces. Burn permits are provided at no charge and must be obtained on the day you plan to burn. Visit the Fire Station for this permit. The State determines daily whether burning is allowed or not. Seasonal permits are available for camp fires. When there is more than an inch of snow (50' diameter around a fire), the homeowner can burn during the day without a paper permit, but you must notify the Fire Department. Call us on our business line. For full details of the ordinances for burning, please call the Fire Station or see the Town of Chester website: www.chesternh.org.

For modifications and installations of gas and oil heating systems, chimneys, woodstoves, pellet stoves and sprinkler systems, **please pull a permit prior to starting the work**. Permits can be obtained at the Fire Department. There is a \$50/day penalty for work done without a permit. These permits will prompt the inspection that is required in order for the appliances to be put in service. In 2013, the Department conducted inspections as follows: 72 gas burning equipment, 15 oil burning equipment, 19 woodstove, 31 sprinkler, 3 blasting and 3 assembly permit inspections. Life safety and day care inspections are provided by appointment at no charge.

As a **Heart Safe Community**, we have placed AED's in multiple locations throughout the Town. All are registered with E911, so when you call 911, the dispatcher can tell you where the

nearest AED is to your emergency. Additionally, the Chester Fire Department offers **CPR classes** regularly and upon request. Please call the fire house for information.

In August 2011, Engine 1, the Quint, was put into service. Engine 1 is an asset to the Station, used to go on 78 of the calls in 2013. The Department is grateful to have such a useful apparatus.

We are proud of the commitment that our members have made to emergency response and training. We currently have 32 members of which 19 are fire certified and 21 are medically certified. Those medically trained are licensed as follows: 6 are Paramedics, 4 are Advanced EMTs and 11 are Basic EMTs. We credit dedicated people, regular training, access to quality programs and proper funding for our ability to produce a well-rounded group of professionals.

In house training hours alone were 992 hours or nearly a thousand! Training topics ranged from chimney fire operations to patient extrication and even ropes rescue.

To inquire about becoming part of the Chester Fire Department, stop by the Station. All candidates must be a resident of Chester or live within a one-mile radius of the Town line.

The Department wants to recognize the following members for their exceptional performance in 2013: EMT of the year award went to Tommy Ciccarello and Team player award to Eric Emerson. Andrew Wallis and Benjamin Clark were promoted to Lieutenant and Kevin Wunderly advanced to Captain. Congratulations for your achievements and good work!

The **Explorer Post** is active in Chester. Explorers are a group of 14-18 year olds who have an interest in the Fire Service. Every Monday evening, Firefighter/EMT Ben Clark is leading this group teaching firefighting and EMS skills. Once trained, the Explorers will get on-scene experience, within their scope of practice, assisting with equipment and rehabilitation of first responders. If you know of any interested youths, contact the Station and join in on a meeting.

Our appreciation is extended to those professionals that team with the Fire Department to help serve our community. Thank you to Chief Burke and the Police Officers at the Chester Police Department and the Road Agent, Mike Oleson along with the Highway Department personnel for all you do for our community.

In closing, allow me to express my gratitude to the Chester Fire Department staff, including the Fire Officers, Department members and their families for their dedication while serving the community. These members are your neighbors, friends and family members who work hard to keep our town safe, even at their own risk. Thank you, it is a privilege serving as your Chief.

Respectfully Submitted,

Chief Richard Antoine

Chester Fire Department Membership

Officers

Fire Chief

Richard Antoine

Deputy Fire Chief

Michael Willinsky

Captains

Greg Bolduc
Kevin Wunderly

Lieutenants

Phil Gladu Ben Clark
Chris Lamy Andy Wallis

Roman Bastek	Michael Gilbert	John Plater
Eric Bellemore	Scott Haggart	Trevor Renaud
Rich Bellemore	Adam Houston	Dan Ross
Thomas Cannon	Kerri Lelievre	Tony Rossignol
RJ Child	Justin Lemay	Craig Rothermel
Tommy Ciccarello	Buddy Menard	Shawn Santuccio
Kim Duffy	Robert Murphy	Michael Scott
Eric Emerson	Scott Newnan	Matt Tinkham

Fire Training Coordinator:	Captain Greg Bolduc	
EMS Training Coordinator:	Andrew Wallis	
Department Chaplin:	Adam Houston	
Forest Fire Warden:	Richard Antoine	
Deputy Fire Wardens:	Michael Willinsky	Kevin Wunderly
	Gregory Bolduc	Chris Lamy
	Phil Gladu	Ben Clark

Chester Fire Department Apparatus

*1972 Forestry Tanker – Tanker 2	*2003 Trailer
2010 Pumper “Quint” – Engine 1	*2004 Forestry – Forestry 1
1990 Tanker 1	*2008 Ford Expedition Command Vehicle C-1
2010 Rescue 1	*2010 Boat
2003 Pumper Engine – Engine 2	*2008 Gator
	*1993 Utility Pick up (previously Forestry 1)

**Purchased by the Chester Fire Association with donated funds*

2013 Calls

Medical Calls.....	197
Motor Vehicle Collisions.....	32
Search.....	2
Fires:	
Building	9
Cooking	1
Chimney	4
Incinerator Malfunction	1
Vehicle	1
Brush	12
Equipment	1
Fires Other	2
Carbon Monoxide Calls	10
Assist the Police Department	1
Alarm Activation	54
Power Lines Down	6
Explosion	2
Severe Weather Response	4
Hazmat Response	15
Service Calls	36
Good Intent	31
Mutual Aid:	10
 Total Calls for 2013	 431

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Building Official / Code Enforcement Department

I would like to recognize the homeowners, builders, contractors, and professional tradesmen who I interact with on a daily basis for making my role both effective and rewarding, and I would like to acknowledge each department member, employee, and board member for their continued support and assistance throughout the year. I am thankful for the opportunity to serve the community.

I believe that the Health Ordinance enacted in late 2012 pertaining to new well construction has been effective in ensuring that new owners/buyers are made aware of the results of all newly-installed, private wells. This Health Ordinance affects all “new” construction and requires water/well testing for all new residential dwellings with private wells. The Health Ordinance defines the parameters for testing of certain contaminants as recommended by the New Hampshire, Department of Environmental Services (NH DES) standard analysis. When levels exceed State or Federal health standards, the new owners/buyers must sign a document attesting to having been made aware of the testing results. Existing private wells should be tested on a regular basis.

After having been idle for more than 20 years, the Villages of Chester project (on Candia Road) has gathered new roots and is now an active building project. Construction in this project started in November 2013. Currently, the project is approved for 25 duplex structures, totaling 50 new dwelling units.

The Jenkins’ Farm Road subdivision project now has 21 of the 62 approved single family dwellings occupied.

During 2013, I completed the ISO “Building Code Effectiveness Grading” evaluation. This involved an in-depth analysis of the Building Department’s permit processing and enforcements of codes, evaluating the administration of the building codes, plan reviews, and field inspection performance. The completed ISO “Building Code Effectiveness Grading” evaluation resulted in an ISO Grading Classification Rating “4” for 1-2 family residential properties and an ISO Rating of “5” for all other (commercial and industrial) properties. This rating is on a 1-10 scale with 1 being the best, and I believe that a 4/5 rating represents an excellent performance level for Chester. ISO is the insurer-supported advisory organization providing insurance underwriting and rating information to the insurer.

During calendar year 2013, over 100 building permits were issued. These permits included the addition of 21 new, single-family homes and 3 new duplex structures. Similarly, last year trade permitting activity generated an additional 230+ associated trade permits. I have provided a summary table within this report for viewing of actual permit activities by category. The Department received nearly \$70,000 in permit fees during calendar year 2013.

Permit Activity – Calendar Year 2013

Other	12	Single Family	21
Sheds	16	Duplex – 2 family (6 units)	3
Garages/Barns	5	Additions	7
Decks/Porches	6	Renovations	26
Pools	13	Multi-family	0
Renewals/transfers	2	Demolitions	1
		Commercial	0
Trade Permits – electric, plumbing, mechanical, septic, test pits, etc.			234

Building permit fees on new construction are assessed based on the “calculated construction cost” which is a multiplier of the total square footage of new buildings or additions by the value given to that category of construction (commercial or residential) as recognized on a modified version of the “construction valuation tables” as published by the International Code Council (ICC). The permit fee is then calculated at a fixed rate fee per \$1000 of “calculated construction cost.” The end result of that calculation equals the new construction building permit fee.

Alterations, remodeling and modifications resulting in a change of use are calculated simply as 10 cents a square foot of the affected area plus an additional minimum fee of \$100.00. All other building and trade permits are assessed at a straight \$65.00 fixed rate schedule.

The Building Inspection Department issues a Certificate of Occupancy in accordance with the New Hampshire State Building Code and local Chester Zoning Ordinances for each permitted activity. All buildings/structures shall not be used or occupied in whole or in part until a Certificate of Occupancy is issued. Final inspections, which effectively close out the permit activity, are required prior to use. *Please make an effort to close permits after the final work has been completed.*

If anyone has any concerns or wishes to make comments, or simply, would like to ask a question, please do not hesitate to contact me. The phone number is: (603) 887-5552 or Email to chesterbi@gsinet.net.

Respectfully submitted,

Thom Roy
Building Official/Code Enforcement Officer

Annual Report

Emergency Management Department

Another year has passed us by, and this report is to bring you up-to-date on what has been happening with the Emergency Management Department.

Fortunately, this year's winter, although one of the coldest and snowiest ones I have seen in years, survived the season without any major incidents. During major weather situations, I am in contact with the State's Emergency Operation Center which keeps me informed on the current situation and what is available to us if we should need it. I participate in daily conference calls with the State Director usually two to three days before a major weather event.

This year, we made a change to our Town's emergency shelter facilities. In the past, we utilized the School cafeteria and gymnasium as our shelter on the few occasions that we needed it. Now, the Multi-Purpose Room has been designated as our official emergency shelter alleviating the need to borrow space from the School. In order to make this change, a great deal of improvements was completed on the shower facilities bringing them up to standards. Next, I will be looking to purchase some of the items necessary to make the shelter run smoothly and to be comfortable for anyone that will need to use it during an emergency event.

The plan is to replace the existing walk-in freezer that is no longer operational and with unjustifiable repair costs of \$2,000.00. The price of a new, stand-up freezer is estimated to be between \$700.00 and \$1,200.00, and it will store approximately five days of frozen foods and hopefully, last us a long time.

Additionally, I would like to increase the number of sleeping cots to 40 by purchasing 20 in the next two years. Because the School's gymnasium served as a separate sleeping area at the Chester Academy, moving to the Multi-purpose Room now presents us with the issue of combined uses in one area. Purchasing privacy curtains are a possible solution to separate the Multi-purpose Room area into two; namely, a sleeping area and a general sitting area.

While these changes are minor, it is hoped that they will transform the Multi-purpose Room into a comfortable shelter for people who might need it during an emergency event.

Lastly, I look forward to continuing my service to you as your Emergency Management Director. If anyone ever has any questions, I will be happy to talk and answer them for you.

Very Respectfully,

Philip Gladu
Chester Emergency Management Director
Email: Philip.gladu@aol.com

Annual Report

Highway Safety Committee

The Chester Highway Safety Committee was established under the provision of New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated (RSA) 238:6 I., 1981. The missions of the Committee are as follows:

- 1. To meet monthly or sooner if required, to hear comments or complaints of Chester residents or others concerning highway conditions in Chester.*
- 2. To attend "Emergency School bus Evacuations" to take notes on how the evacuations are conducted and if necessary; present recommendations on corrective action to the Principal of Chester Academy.*
- 3. To make periodic visits to the state highways and town roads in Chester for the purpose of determining the adequacy of maintenance, the existence of hazards, appropriateness of lighting, speed control signs and devices, speed limits and on-highway parking.*
- 4. To review reports of motor vehicle collisions in Chester and determine if the cause is highway-safety related.*
- 5. To consider items referred to the Committee by the Selectmen, Planning Board or other Town activity for consideration and provide a suitable response.*
- 6. To authorize the application for Federal and State Highway Safety Grants.*

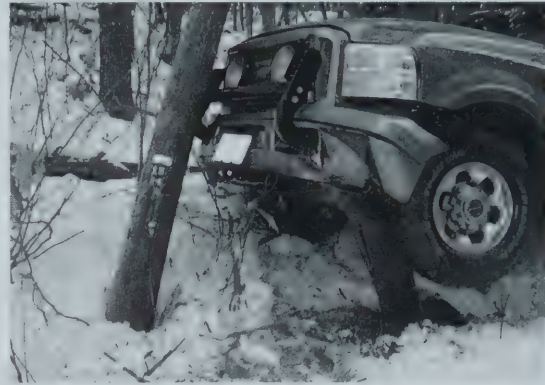
The Committee continues to strive to achieve the goals set forth in our Mission Statement and to meet the requirements set forth in NH RSA 238.6.

In order for Chester to qualify for funding from the NH Highway Safety Agency, the Town must have a Highway Safety Committee that meets on a regular basis. It is important for the Committee to have a variety of viewpoints on road issues from throughout the Town so that residents from different sections of Town are encouraged to attend the Committee meetings.

Projects that receive funding from the NH Highway Safety Agency must relate directly to problems or potential problems that have been identified through the analysis of available traffic record data. The following grants that were applied for and received in 2013 are as follows: one (1) for DWI Hunter and one (1) for selective enforcement, seatbelt and child restraints. These grants allow us to assign officers to specifically protect our citizens by being on the alert for impaired drivers and at-risk driving conditions for children, for example; and these officers are being paid with grant funds. The Chester Police Department was very successful with these enforcement efforts during the grant time period. The Department has already applied for and will be receiving grants for 2014 as well.

Officers working the speed detail focused on the Chester Academy area during the morning commute and other high-traffic areas during the evening hours. During the evening commute, this resulted in several stops for excessive speed as well as other motor vehicle infractions. Officers working the DWI details were able to stop several vehicles resulting in 56 alcohol-and-drug-related contacts culminating in several arrests, citations, and warnings. The roads are much safer now after utilizing these grants.

The Chester Fire Department will continue to explore grant opportunities as they become available.



*Our officers are out there to prevent crashes like these two pictures demonstrate. Also, they urge us to please remember:
Seatbelts Save Lives!*

Highway safety issues discussed and/or participated in this past year are as follows:

1. Members of the Committee monitor the school bus evacuation drills held at Chester Academy. A report of this Committee's observations is sent to the school and bus company following the drills.
2. The review and discussion of motor vehicle crash reports that have occurred on state and local roads over the past year.
3. Monitoring of parades for the Town Fair and Veterans Day Celebration.
4. Monitor traffic safety issues that are connected with Halloween.
5. Continue to work with the Board of Selectmen with recommendations for improvements to the intersection of NH Routes 102 and 121 following the Road Safety Audit of this intersection.
6. Evaluate trees along Town roads for safety-related issues.
7. Meet with the Road Agent to discuss road issues such as "No Thru Trucking" and Spring weight limits.

The Committee meets on a quarterly basis in the Municipal Office Building Meeting Room (Room 4) at 1:00 P.M. Meeting dates for 2014 are as follows: February 14th, May 9th, August 8th, and November 14th. The public is welcome.

Respectfully submitted,

Chester Highway Safety Committee

Chief William Burke, Police Department
Chief Rich Antoine, Fire Department
Gene Charron, State Representative
Tony Amato, Maintenance Department
Jack Cannon, Selectman
Cynthia J. Robinson, Planning Board
Michael Oleson, Highway Department

Contact: Police Chief William Burke
Phone: 887-2080
Email: chief@gsinet.net

Annual Report Road Agent

I do not have to tell you, it was a tough winter. Over 102 inches of snow fell with brutally cold temperatures.

Special thanks to the plow crew for a job well done and a great group to work with.

I cannot say no money for roads this year – thank you for the \$200,000. I did what I said I would do and placed a wear course of asphalt on Shepard Home Road at a cost of approximately \$190,000. We used the balance towards Birch Road combined with highway funds and funds from the Town budget encumbered by the Selectmen. I thank them for those additional funds.

Birch Road: After several test pits were done to determine if soils were suitable for reclamation, we removed 70+ trees and stumps, corrected drainage problems, replaced some culverts, and with the help of the Fire Department, cleaned out the rest of the culverts. We reclaimed the surface and an asphalt binder was applied. The wearing course will be completed in June in 2014.

Maintaining roads and equipment has become a major problem. East Derry Road is no longer alone in the worst road category. We now have Harantis Lake, North Pond and Old Sandown. These roads alone have used over \$10,000 of cold patch this year.

Our GMC Truck is now approaching ten years of age. It has served us well but is getting tired. Salt, sand and plowing are hard on vehicles. Just to pass inspection this year, it cost (\$600) six hundred dollars for the GMC alone. The Selectmen have supported the purchase of a new vehicle under the State bid program, under a five-year lease, with an escape clause and the necessary equipment.

I hope you will support some of our Articles, namely, the ones for a new truck and road work.

Yours truly,

Michael J. Oleson
Road Agent

Annual Report Recycling & Solid Waste Committee

As always, we would like to dedicate this report to the residents of Chester committed to protecting our environment and reducing property taxes by recycling.

2013 Recycling Center & Solid Waste Transfer Station Summary

In 2013, the facility's waste stream totaled 851 tons, of which 304.4 tons were recycled. Of these 304.4 tons, 240.7 tons were kitchen* (household) recyclables (see list). This year, the average net profit for recycling these kitchen recyclables was \$12.47 per ton, versus a net cost of \$112.67 per ton for the disposal via the solid waste compactor. As a result, **the 2013 recycling program resulted in a net savings of at least \$30,122.** This is a significant amount of savings considering the total disposal cost of the 547 tons of compacted solid waste was \$61,591.

Overall, **35.8% percent of the Transfer Station's waste stream was recycled.** Unfortunately, this percentage is the lowest rate of recycling we have seen in over a decade, and it falls well short of the 40% minimum standard recommended by the EPA.

From observing the general waste disposed of in the trash compactor, there are two obvious areas for improvement. The first is more diligent sorting out of mixed paper and cardboard for recycling. The second is encouraging home (backyard) composting of specific kitchen and other organic wastes. Diligent attention to these items could reduce the waste stream by another 10% to 20%.

Summary of Recycling Tonnages:

Newspaper & Mag.*	37.4 tons
Mixed Paper*	73.0 tons
Cardboard*	37.5 tons
Scrap Metal	53.0 tons
Co-mingled Cans*	6.8 tons
Aluminum Cans*	3.1 tons
#1 - #7 Plastics*	17.8 tons
Glass*	65.1 tons
Tires	2.9 tons
Car Batteries	1.0 tons
TVs & Computers	2.1 tons
Used Motor Oil	4.6 tons

Total: 304.4 tons

(*kitchen / household recyclables)

New Activities and / or Important Requests

The Committee seeks new ways to reduce operating expenses and to improve recycling.

We reiterate our plea to residents to please be more diligent about crushing your plastics and cans. Please do this prior to arriving at the Transfer Station (as well as the sorting). It only takes a minute or two each day to do this as you amass your recyclables. Most of our loads are hauled out on a volume basis, and it costs a great deal of money to haul a load that is mostly air! Doing this will save many thousands of dollars in annual operating expenses.

Also, we ask that more folks try backyard composting of some of their food waste. It is amazing how much this can reduce the volume of waste going to the landfill. There are many resources available online for advice and ideas on how to do this.

Lloyd & Bonnie and the rest of the Transfer Station Staff would like to say a special thank you to the residents who supported the acquisition of the Bobcat-style loader. As you can imagine, it has been a huge help, especially with snow removal this past winter! It also has been very helpful with moving heavy appliances, managing the burn pile and cleaning up the ashes, and turning the compost pile, etc.

Some Interesting Factoids

- The aluminum cans we recycled conserved enough energy to run a TV for 72+ years!
- The steel cans we recycled conserved enough energy to run a 100 watt light bulb for 25+ years!
- The scrap metal we recycled conserved 26.3 tons of coal!
- The paper we recycled conserved about 2,660 40-foot high trees!

Chester's population is about 5,000 people. Multiply each of the above numbers by 265 to see how much the State of New Hampshire could conserve annually if all towns recycled at Chester's rates.

Our usual ending ☺...

Still, many residents do not utilize the Transfer Station and the convenience it provides. We encourage those of you who are not using the Transfer Station to come and visit the facility and try it out. The facility is open on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 pm, and on Saturdays from 7:00 am to 2:00 pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

In closing, we would like to encourage any citizens with constructive ideas for improvements or who have an interest in serving on the Committee to please talk to one of our Transfer Station attendants or contact the Board of Selectmen's Office at 887-4979 for information about joining our Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Hadik

Bonnie Healey

Lloyd Healey

Barbara King

Debra Dear

Maureen Lein

Stephen O. Landau, Selectman

**Wilcomb Townsend Home
Annual Report
7/1/12-6/30/13**

These funds are available to Chester residents of any age to help with fuel, medications, or other necessities. We also offer help to anyone interested that qualifies in obtaining Life Line through the Rockingham County Community Action Services. Contact any Trustee with questions about either donating funds or requesting assistance.

7/1/2012	Beginning Balance	\$100.00
	Receipts	\$1,455.18
	Totals	\$1,555.18
	Disbursements:	
	Fuel & Utilities	\$1,361.78
	Office	\$18.40
	Filing Fee	\$75.00
	Medical Costs	\$0.00
	Food & Clothing	\$0.00
	Postage	\$0.00
	Total Disbursements	\$1,455.18
6/30/2013	Ending Balance	\$100.00

Trustees:

Cynthia Tunberg	2018
Genevieve Rowell	2014
Dianna Charron	2015
Barbara Dolloff	2016
Lisa Oleson	2017

Annual Report Chester Historical Society

The Chester Historical Society is a non-profit membership organization dedicated to promote the study of the history of Chester, the preservation of history through the collection and protection of historical matter, and to support the continuing education of the Town's ever-evolving heritage.

Thank you to Web Anderson who stepped down as Society President last year. The society voted to extend a lifetime membership to Web for his dedicated service. A lifetime membership was also presented to Linda Witherill for her many generous contributions to the Society.

The Society is working on a better way to display the history of Chester in the museum. Needed are early artifacts to show early farming, shoemaking and possibly photos of the old mills. If you would like to donate something, please contact the Society. Remember, we are looking for small items to fit into our display case.

One large project we are currently working on is the restoration of the Civil War cannons. Research has revealed that in 1904 it was decided that monument square needed a cannon. Col. George A. Hosley was able to secure a pair from military surplus. Two unmounted cannons were shipped to Wilcomb's Store and later stored in the Electric Trolley Car Barn. In 1907, Hosley and Cyrus I. Marston secured caissons for the cannons from the Charlestown Navy Yard. As part of the restoration, the barrels were sandblasted; and under many coats of paint, we found the cannons were built at the U.S. Navy Yard in Washington, D.C. in 1886. Also, they were marked "3 inch Rifle 500 Lbs." One was marked "No 28" the other "No 29," thus proving they are truly a matched pair having been built one right after the other at the Navy Yard. The first time the cannon's were on public display was on Memorial Day in 1907. This year, the cannons will be rededicated on Memorial Day, May 26, 2014. In honor of the cannon's return to Chester, the Chester Historical Society will be hosting a free NH Humanities Council program entitled "Cannon Shenanigans and New Hampshire Muster Day Traditions," May 25th at 3:00 pm at Stevens Memorial Hall. Save the date and join us for an afternoon of fun!

The "Scarecrows" of Chester have been such a success it has allowed us to start a new tradition of giving back to the community. Last year, we were able to make a donation to The American Independence Museum in Exeter when they found themselves in need of financial help. And this year (I am happy to report), we were able to contribute to the Wilcomb Townsend Home Trust.

The Society will once again sponsor a warrant article to set aside \$5,000 in the Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of funding the 300th anniversary of Chester in 2022.

Jean Methot and Gary Van Geyte have been working on the Route 121 Stage Coach By-way project and are on this committee.

During the year, we hosted several events in Steven's Hall. Last April, we presented Fred Marple, the unofficial spokesman for the mythical town of "Frost Heaves." He will be making a return engagement in April 2014. We hosted a New Hampshire Humanities Council program entitled "Covered Bridges of New Hampshire." And finally, we co-hosted a program with the Chester Library on the history of the Underground Railroad.

In October, a group from the Society went on a field trip to the American Independence Museum in Exeter. They gave us a wonderful tour. We stopped for lunch before returning to Chester and had a very enjoyable day.

The Society shared the cost with the library of transferring old Town records from a microfiche format to a CD. This project involved hundreds of pages.

At our November meeting, officers elected for 2014 were: Don Brown, President; Jean Methot, Vice President; Gary Van Geyte, Treasurer; Judy Pepper, Secretary; Web Anderson, Historian; and Jackie Brown, scrapbook and advertising.

The Society meets bi-monthly at Steven's Memorial Hall in January, March, May, July, September, and November. The Society's office and museum is located in Steven's Memorial Hall and is open on the 2nd Saturday each month from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.

We have been steadily growing in membership over the last few years. This has allowed us to become more involved in our community. New members are always welcome. We have improved and updated our website. You can find us at <http://www.chesternhhistorical.org>. or look for us on Facebook.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Brown, President



*Annual picnic: John and Susan Riddles 1929
Model A Ford Tudor Sedan*

Annual Report 2013-2014 Recreation Commission

The Chester Recreation Commission is a volunteer commission, appointed by the Board of Selectmen, responsible for the operation of the Multi-purpose Room, the Town Athletic Fields, the Wason Pond Recreation Area and the Community Center. The Commission is also responsible for the organization and coordination of both formal and informal recreational programs throughout the year.

For more information on Chester Recreational Programs and Activities please visit our website at www.chesternh.org/municipal-departments/recreation-department or find us on Facebook as Chester, NH Recreation Department.

The Recreation Commission meets at 7:00 PM on the second Monday of each month in the Selectmen's Meeting Room and/or the Recreation Office located in the Town Office Building. The Commission is pleased to announce that we are at our fullest with six members at the time of this writing with an additional member to be appointed soon. Chester residents are encouraged to attend our meetings to gain an understanding of the ongoing work of the Commission. The Recreation Office can be reached at (603) 887-5773.

Programs and Activities

Through the many uses of the Multi-purpose Room (MPR) and Town Athletic Fields, the Commission supports many programs and activities throughout the year.



The MPR is used to hold practices for many athletic programs including basketball, baseball, softball, floor hockey and volleyball. Also, it is used for Town and School events, community dances and programs, including Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, Chester Mom's Club and adult and senior exercise programs.

Chester Recreation is dedicated to offering aspiring athletes an opportunity to expand their lives through the game of basketball. Chester Recreation is focused on empowering individuals "at-risk" with the ability to make positive decisions both on and off the court. Empowerment is encouraged by enhancing individual strengths while placing extreme emphasis on the necessity of teamwork and fun. The **Chester Recreational Youth Basketball** Program is open to all Chester girls and boys, Grades K to 8.

Soccer Club sponsors fall and spring soccer for players U6 through U12. For more information, please visit www.chestersoccer.com.

Adult Zumba and Cardio Dance Fitness classes are held Monday and Wednesday evenings with our certified instructor, Amy Hazelton, who brings an energetic presence to each and every class.

Adult Yoga is offered 2-3 days a week and has morning, afternoon and evening classes. The schedule changes from season to season. The program is directed by Rhonda Woodward, Certified Kripalu Yoga Instructor and is designed for both beginner and experienced students.

Adult Co-ed Volleyball. Chester Recreation offers free adult Co-ed volleyball. It is held in the Multi-purpose Room every Wednesday night at 7:30 PM and every Sunday at 6:30 PM. All are welcome to participate and have fun. The Chester Recreation Department, in conjunction with KC Pilates & Fitness, offers a **Senior Exercise Class** that is FREE to any Chester resident over the age of 55 including those in higher risk categories (physician's clearance is required for all). This class is taught by Kim Cremin. The class focuses on strength-building, balance and range of motion exercises. Classes are held every Monday and Wednesday from 1:30 – 2:30 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room.

Wason Pond Recreation Area

The Commission oversees the Wason Pond Recreation Area including the Ballfields, Beach and Playground. We offer a half-day and full day six-week **Summer Program** consisting of guided children's activities, sports, and crafts, as well as weekly field trips.

The **Kids' Fishing Derby** is held annually the first weekend of June and is a treasured family annual event. Prizes are given out to the children. This event is offered for children up to 16 years of age.

The Beach is also open seasonally for families to enjoy. Many community events are also held including the Wason Pond Pounder, Horse Event and the Boy Scout Yard Sale. The recreation area is a carry in/carry out facility and open to the public sunrise to sunset all year long.

The time finally came when we broke ground on the start of the new athletic fields. We would like to thank the *Chester Field of Dreams* for their hard work fundraising to make this possible, Gregsak Engineering Inc. and Remi-Sons Inc. for their hard work and the Wason Pond Conservation and Recreation Commission. We would also like to thank our community! With your support and vote we were able to begin this amazing project.

*Pictured Right:
Work in Progress for
the New Entrance to
Wason Pond.*



Recreation Coordinator

Daily responsibilities of the Recreation Coordinator include scheduling the Multi-purpose Room and the Community Center, coordinating field space and usage requests, conducting sign-ups for a variety of Recreation-sponsored programs, daily communication with and assisting Recreation Commissioners with their needs, planning, coordinating and implementing of new programs along with summer program, as well as meeting the bookkeeping needs for all recreation programs. Additionally, the Coordinator's responsibility has been to prepare Wason Pond for summer usage and to continue to assist with development plans for ball fields on property.

Recognition and Thanks

The Recreation Commission would like to express our thanks to the volunteer coaches, referees, board and committee members, the Baseball league and its Board, as well as all the dedicated parents that assist in all of these community programs. The residents of Chester, especially its children, benefit from the dedication of these fine individuals who do not receive enough recognition for their time and effort.

Respectfully submitted,

Chester Recreation Commission

Ed Karjala, Chairman

Corinna Reishus, Vice Chairlady

Bill Chirgwin

Beth Swanson

Michelle Trask

Sharon F. DeLuca, Recreation Coordinator





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Courtney DeNapoli
Maureen DeNapoli
Alison Rochenski

Trustees

Mary Beth Ditoro, Chair, term expires 2015
Kandace Knowlton, Vice-Chair, term expires 2014
Barbara Cannon, Co-Treasurer, term expires 2015
Deb Munson, Co-Treasurer, term expires 2014
Renee Mallett, Secretary, term expires 2016

We had another busy year at the Library. Our combined checkouts of library and digital materials increased 6.5% from 23,813 to 25,362. Attendance at our youth programs increased from 1,409 to 2,506, a 78% increase. Library visits increased 21% from 9,398 to 11,369. We are getting busier each year.

Emily Bradley and Maryan Sullivan have left their positions at the Library. We thank them for their service. Emily deserves credit for making the Library's Tuesday Story Times a huge hit with preschoolers. Emily also organized our Polar Express Story Time held December 19, 2013, which drew almost 100 attendees. We will miss her great personality and her creativity, but wish her the best of luck with her academic career.

We appreciate that voters approved the hiring of an Assistant Director/Head of Youth Services. The Library hired Diane Arrato Gavrish as the Assistant Director. Since taking the job in August, she has worked wonders at Chester Public Library. She has held many fun activities for primary-aged children; such as, Silly Science and the Magic Tree House Club. Chester's children enjoy having Diane at the Library.

If you use the Library, you will know that you receive more in services than you pay for in taxes. Each resident paid \$31.40 in taxes towards the Fiscal Year 2013 Library budget (\$127,610 for library operations and wages, plus \$22,100, divided by 4,768, the Town's population). Many new hardcover books cost about \$28.00. New video releases are \$25.00. If a resident borrows two books or two videos during this fiscal year, he or she will recoup the tax money spent on library services plus change. Use the Library Use Calculator at <http://nhlibrarians.org/calculator/> to determine your savings. Not a Library user? Come by to see what you are missing.

Photo Right: The notorious "Cat-in-the-Hat" with "Thing1" and "Thing2" in front of the Library to add fun for everyone who visited the Library Fall 2013 (scarecrows donated by Don & Jackie Brown).



We are grateful for the Friends of the Chester Public Library. Library cardholders enjoy a significant discount for Museum of Science admission thanks to the Friends' annual purchase of this museum pass. Also, they have provided us with money to purchase youth audio books, youth videos, and Summer Reading prizes. The Friends are always looking for volunteers to assist them with fundraisers such as Breakfast with Santa. Please help the Library by joining the Friends.

Please remember that if the Library does not have the item you need, we can request it from another library. We may also consider purchasing the item for our collection.

As technology has advanced over the past twenty years, the Library has lagged in keeping up with technological advances. In 2013, the Library began prep work to upgrade our automation system and technology. Many volunteers have helped the Library shelf-read and barcode items during last year. We thank them for their help. The Library will be switching to Koha, our new system on March 3, 2014. Koha will allow cardholders to reserve and renew Library books online, check their Library account online, and receive electronic notifications regarding items that are approaching their due date. We are issuing new Library cards to patrons and will require you to bring the card with you to the Library. Bringing your card will allow staff to quickly check out items. We will be providing new cards that can be attached to your key chain. You may also use an app that allows you to show a copy of your Library card using your smartphone.

Our new system will allow cardholders to access all of our online resources, such as the New Hampshire Downloadable Books site, using your Library card number. You will no longer need to use various usernames and passwords to access these resources. We currently have some great resources that you may access anywhere with your electronic device. The numerous EBSCOHost services we provide, courtesy of the New Hampshire State Library, contain full-text magazine/newspaper articles, online encyclopedias, business resources, and other worthy products. HeritageQuest, a huge genealogy database, is a great resource for anyone researching their family's history. Additionally, we have Mango Languages, an online foreign language tutorial. Ebooks and e-audio books are available to borrow via our subscription to New Hampshire Downloadable Books. Finally, in the future, we look forward to offering online services that provide streaming video and music.

We hope to see you soon.

Our phone number is 887-3404,

our email is: chesterpubliclibrary@gmail.com.

You may friend us on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/chesterpubliclibrary>,

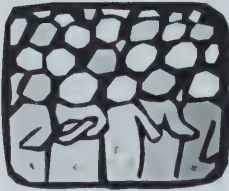
and follow us on Pinterest at <http://pinterest.com/chesterlibrary/>.



Pictured Left & Right: Library-sponsored activities for the education & enjoyment of our children.



Chester Senior Citizens



The Chester Senior Citizens Club was organized in 1976. We met at Stevens Hall twice a month. The first meeting was a business meeting and the second, a pot luck luncheon. In later years, we combined the two into one meeting which we hold on the first Thursday and reserve the third Thursday for any scheduled outings.

In 2003, the Club was offered the use of the newly acquired building at Wason Pond. This building is now the Wason Pond Community Center. Members of the Senior Citizens gather there every Tuesday morning for “coffee and chatter.” The pot is always on and everyone is always welcomed!

The Chester Senior Citizens Club is very active. Depending on the length of the journey, we might rent vans or a large bus to transport us to our destination. If the destination is close by, private vehicles are used with the driver being compensated for the cost of the gas.

This past year our outings have included:

- A Gundalow ride in Portsmouth, which was followed by lunch at The Galley Hatch Restaurant.
- Our annual picnic with meat, rolls and drinks provided by the Club and salads and desserts provided by the members.
- Lunch at Tiellgis Raw Pub, Woodman Museum in Dover.
- Lunch at Coach Stop Restaurant.
- Musical at Pinkerton Academy.
- A Cruise on the Mount Washington.

In addition to those outings, our members enjoyed an annual Valentine’s Breakfast at Chester Academy which is provided by the Student Council.

We always look forward to our annual Senior Dinner of turkey and all the fixin’s which is provided by the Chester Lions Club. The food is delicious and the entertainment that follows is wonderful!

In October, we have our annual “Birthday Party” which takes place at a nice restaurant chosen at the time.

In December, we have our Christmas Party in the Multi-purpose Room at the Town Municipal Complex. We need the space that this setting provides to accommodate the many seniors who attend. This past Christmas, the party was set up by the local "Home School Families." The children were attentive and delightful. Hilary and Sandy Hall prepared the meal as usual. We are grateful for their tireless help and organizational gifts. Kim Misco donated gifts for each senior attending. Kim has always been a help and a generous donator to the Club.

As a regular course of practice, we welcome new members to our Club with the only requirement being that you are age 55 or older. There are no dues for Chester residents. We do have members who live in other towns; they pay annual dues and are required to pay their own way on the outings.

We wish to thank sincerely our Town of Chester for the generous monetary support that we receive. This support allows our Club the financial means to do the many activities that keep us busy and productive.

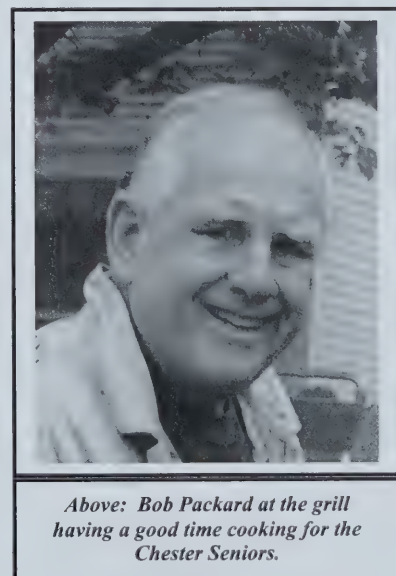
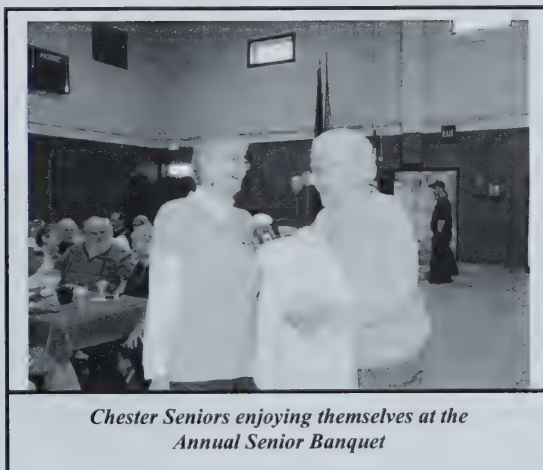
We are grateful for the well-attended exercise classes that take place at the Multi-purpose Room on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. We are conducted and encouraged by Kim Cremin who leads us in stretching, limbering, and strengthening exercises.

If you are 55, come and join us; if you are younger, encourage your parents to do so.

A telephone call to the Chester Town Offices can provide you with further information or call the Community Center on any Tuesday morning at 887-5034.

Respectfully,
The Chester Senior Citizens

Leonard Coleman, President
Forrest Brown, Vice President
Linda Noyes, Secretary
Genevieve Rowell, Treasurer



Annual Report

Public Access Community Television Committee (PACT)

The Public Access Community Television Committee (PACT) exists to ensure that the Franchise Agreement between the Town of Chester and Comcast remains in effect so as to provide the public, educational, and government access television channels in the Town of Chester. Presently, the Franchise Agreement has been renegotiated to run from April 1, 2014 through March 30, 2024, and funds received are deposited into a Special Revenue Fund established as the "PACT" Fund (Warrant Article 29, May 14, 2003), separate from the General Fund. These funds are used to continue the operation of the public community television channels currently aired by Chester Academy and the Town.

As part of the negotiations with Comcast, Chester seniors (anyone over 65 years of age) are eligible to receive a monthly discount of \$2.00 for Standard Cable Service. Please spread the word to those who may wish to take advantage of this offer.

In the years to come, the PACT Committee will be looking to air videos on the Internet like so many other community-access TV stations. This year, the plan is to do a complete upgrade to the studio by acquiring new cameras, computers, and playback decks. Already, work has begun to clean up transmissions from the School and to bring on the second meeting room in the Rangeway Access Center at the Town Municipal Complex so as to record all board meetings and be able to play them back at a later date.

At the School, we would like to work towards creating a plan for students to learn and to produce their own TV shows. If any of you are interested in pursuing this idea and assisting, please let us know.

The amount allocated for Fiscal Year 2014/2015 for PACT use from franchise fees is \$45,000. These funds will buy the new Digital cameras and computers needed to record and programs.

Public Access Community Television in Chester always welcomes new volunteers, and we really need your help in keeping the community calendars on channels 20 and 21 up-to-date weekly. It takes about an hour of time to do so. Also, we need volunteers to help during live cablecasts such as the Annual School District and Town Meetings.

Finally, we would like to thank Lenny Stein for his service on the PACT Committee and as a volunteer technician for over twenty years. His expertise, skills, and community-minded spirit will be greatly missed.

Respectfully submitted,

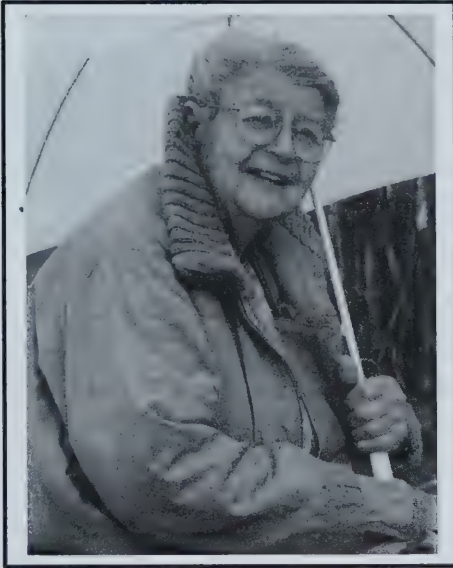
PACT Committee

Joseph S. Castricone
Richard J. LeBlanc, Selectman Liaison



*Above: Tony Amato helps out at
Town Meeting for PACT*

Annual Report Spring Hill Farm



Miss Muriel Church - moved to Chester in 1914 at the age of eleven. Eighty-two years later (1996), she donated her entire 400-acre farm to the Town of Chester with the condition that it remains a working farm and open-space for the Town residents to enjoy. Miss Church was a teacher in Chester, never married, and felt a great bond with all the residents of Chester often referring to them as her family. After living through Chester's building-boom years, Miss Church wanted to minimize the loss of farmland and open-space and reduce the burden on the taxpayers from the additional educational and infrastructure costs. By protecting her beloved Spring Hill Farm from future subdivision by bequeathing it to the Town, she accomplished both of these goals. Her actions have resulted in savings to the taxpayers of over \$250,000 each year. However, the Spring Hill Farm Trust continues to battle against those that cannot see the true

benefit of the Farm and Miss Church's desire to give something back to those she felt was family.

Prior to her death in December of 2001, Miss Church set up a Board of Trustees to oversee the Farm's activities and a Trust Fund to help defray its daily operational cost. The Farm is usually self-sustaining with income coming from rental payments, land leases, profit sharing, and the sale of farm-produced products. Tenants of the Farm maintain the property as a working farm, make improvements, complete equipment maintenance, and make minor building/fence repairs. The tenants also care for the Trust's remaining farm animals living on the property, currently one cow named Norma. The buildings and property belong to the Town, not the Trust; and it was agreed upon in 1996, that the Town would be responsible for building maintenance and the Trust responsible for its operational cost.

New Tenants – Due to personal reasons, our past tenants had to move off the Farm late last year. The remarkable thing about our new tenants (Mr. and Mrs. Jay Sweet) is that they are related to Miss Church. In fact, Jay refers to Miss Church as Aunt Muriel. Only through a series of fate and circumstances did this opportunity arise. Miss Church was Jay's father's mother's cousin and Jay is identified by reference in Miss Church's Trust Document; namely, it was her wish and desire for her two cousins, or their children or grandchildren, be offered the opportunity to live at Spring Hill Farm.

Jay is Miss Church's cousin's (Jane Sweet) grandson. Throughout Jay's childhood, his family would visit Miss Church several times a year; and Jay spent the summers of his early teen years working at Spring Hill Farm. Jay's mother, Sharon Sweet, and Miss Church were extremely close friends. Sadly, Jay's mother succumbed to cancer in 1987 at the age of 39. Jay then moved to Kansas shortly after his mother's death to pursue his engineering degree, met his wife Angela, and upon graduation he and Angela moved to Massachusetts. It was not long afterwards that Miss

Church passed away. Jay spoke at Miss Church's funeral in December 2001. They moved back to Kansas sometime thereafter.

Jay and his family were residing on a small farm in Kansas when Jay relocated to New Hampshire for a new job position in Concord. He noticed an ad in a farmer's publication that the Farm was looking for a new tenant. Jay grew up on a small dairy farm in Connecticut and graduated from the University of Connecticut with a degree in Animal Science further continuing his education at Kansas State University where he received a BS in Architectural Engineering and now works as a Professional Structural Engineer. His wife Angela grew up on a small ranch in Kansas. Angela has a degree in Psychology and currently works as a substitute teacher and a math, reading and art aide in their local school system. They have two daughters, Amelia (12) and Sophia (9) who both enjoy farm life and caring for the farm animals. When talking with Jay, you can tell he has a part of Miss Church's spirit in him. Please welcome Jay and his family into our community.

Derry Trail Riders - The Derry Trail Riders Association continue to utilize the many trails on the property as part of their trail-riding events. Spring Hill Farm is a favorite location for many of their members, and we look forward to them coming back each year.

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) - The New Hampshire CSA, LLC (NHCSA) is a Certified Organic fruit and vegetable CSA. It is located on the one-acre parcel across from the farm house and is continuing into its sixth year under new ownership. In addition to its annual lease, NHCSA donates 5% of its CSA share sales to Spring Hill Farm Trust in a mutually beneficial arrangement. Membership & Newsletter information about NHCSA for the public is on their website: www.nhcsa.com.

Respectfully Submitted,

Spring Hill Farm Trustees

Jeff Geary, Chair (785-8908)

Brad Wamsley, Treasurer

Chuck Myette, Conservation Commission Rep.

Thomas Edwards

Stephen O. Landau, Selectmen Rep.



Wason Pond Conservation and Recreation Commission

Wason Pond Conservation and Recreation Area

History

In January of 2003, the Town of Chester purchased 105 acres of land surrounding Wason Pond for the sum of 1.55 million dollars. The land was purchased with conservation funds, which had been set aside for use by the Conservation Commission to purchase properties and conservation easements. The Conservation Commission voted to approve the expenditure in order to acquire the property for mixed conservation and recreational uses.

A seven-person advisory committee oversaw the writing of the conservation easement, which has been placed on the property to protect it from future development or from activities or uses that would be out of keeping with accepted conservation practices. A Master Plan for the property was developed outlining goals for the property including the development of ball fields, the reclamation and restoration of the shorelines, wetlands, and other environmentally sensitive areas. The committee was disbanded and replaced by the Wason Pond Conservation and Recreation Commission.

Membership

The Wason Pond Commission is comprised of seven members with two alternates, representing the following groups:

Conservation Commission	Patrick Connelly
Conservation Commission	Charles Myette
Recreation Commission	Bill Chirgwin
Recreation Commission	Ed Karjala
Board of Selectmen	Stephen O. Landau
Member at Large	Tom Edwards
Member at Large	Chris Hadik
Alternate 1	Darrell F. Quinn
Alternate 2	Herb Rowell (Chester Seniors)

Mission

The Commission's role is to provide oversight of the Wason Pond Conservation and Recreation Area, thus insuring that the Conservation Easement is being followed, the Master Plan is being implemented correctly, and to provide guidance for future projects and activities in and around Wason Pond.

What's New at Wason Pond?

Most importantly, the front open space of the property was leveled and seeded as the first phase in constructing the ball fields. The fields will be reseeded where needed, fertilized and a fence will be constructed around the ball fields.

Events planned for 2014:

- The Wason Pond Pounder will be held again at Wason Pond on May 31st. The Pounder is a 3-mile obstacle course race that raises funds for the **Chester Charitable Foundation**. Last year more than 800 runners participated and the money raised was distributed to local charities.
- Spring – Trout Fishing Derby.
- The summer recreation program.
- Spring and fall cleanups.
- Chester Academy Cross Country team uses trails to host meets.
- Walking, fishing, swimming, cross-country skiing, snow-shoeing, kayaking, canoeing and horseback riding are some of the many activities happening at Wason Pond.



Future goals for Wason Pond

- Repair of the bathhouse.
- Restoration of the barn.
- Continued trail improvements and shoreline stabilization.
- Trail grooming for winter trail activities.

The Commission is always looking for new members and meets on the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Town Municipal Complex building. All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Wason Pond is a beautiful, natural resource. Chester is very fortunate to have a multiple-use-area such as this, which is available for residents to use throughout the year.

Please remember the public the park closes at dusk and to please carry out any trash.

Respectfully submitted,

Wason Pond Conservation & Recreation Area Commission



Town Fair 2013



We hope you enjoyed the 2013 Chester Town Fair as much as we did! It was our goal to bring back the feel of yesteryear where the community comes together to enjoy the many festivities of the day and night.

Our Parade started at Town Hall lead by Pinkerton Academy's ROTC and the American Legion Post 108. Charlie Lindsay opened up the Town Fair with the National Anthem. Nicole Murphy, Nashville Recording Artist and Meadowfolk Rising performed. SCARAB performed a number of eighties tunes in the evening. We had a number of contests like Pie Eating Contest, Wheelbarrow Race, Sack Race, 3-legged Race, Wife Carry Contest, and Tug of War Contest. Demonstrations were by Tim Barchard's Professional Martial Arts Academy, Wason Pond Pounder and Timber Sports.



The entire Chester Town Fair Committee would like to express our gratitude to all who made this year's fair a huge success.

The Police and Fire Departments worked tirelessly through the day to make sure everyone was safe both on the roads and in the fields. Town Maintenance was a big help behind the scenes. Our vendors and musicians and Town Officials all did an amazing job participating in the glorious day and keeping everyone entertained and informed. And thanks to the Agricultural Commission we had an old favorite – Cow Plop Bingo – and a new favorite – The Chicken Contest.

Fire Chief Richard Antoine and the Fire Department deserve a big thank you for managing and hosting the best fireworks show in the area.

We would like to especially thank our Sponsors. Their contributions made it possible to add the additional entertainment and games we all enjoyed.

Platinum Sponsors

Granite State Communications, Simply the Best Entertainment, Granite State Credit Union

Gold Sponsors

KC Pilates and Fitness, Glenn Myers Construction & Remodeling, Senator Bell Farm, PSNH

Silver Sponsors

New England Asset Advisors, Twig and Tulip Floral Studio, Aurora Senior Living of Derry, Chester Hardware and Garden Supply, Living Well Physical Therapy, Dann Norris Batting-Architect, BK Electric, Jemco Builder & Developer, Nicole Murphy

To all of the folks who came out to enjoy the day and those who participated in our games, we are so glad you had a good time. We are looking forward to next year's fair already and hope to see you all again.

Chester Town Fair Committee 2013

Cindy Bortz	Ed Karjala
Tim Bortz	Corinna Reishus
Joe Castricone	Beth Swanson
Sharon DeLuca	Michelle Trask
Jane Grimm	Wade Ungaro
Christi Karjala	



Chester Conservation Commission

Please Strive to be Green: Reduce, Recycle and Minimize waste, Lower Energy Use, Support Social Responsibility, and Reduce our Carbon Footprint.

Green Myths

Myth: Leaving your thermostat at a constant temperature 24 hours a day uses less energy than setting your thermostat back and then having to continually heat up/cool down the air temperature.

Fact: The longer your house stays at a reduced temperature when heating, or at an increased temperature when cooling, the more energy and money you will save. This is because your heating or cooling costs depend mostly on the temperature difference between the indoor and outdoor environments. When you adjust your thermostat down in the winter, or up in the summer, you reduce this natural temperature difference. If you set your thermostat back 10 to 15 degrees for 8 hours while you are asleep or at work, your energy savings range from 5% to 15% of your monthly energy bill.

Conservation saves in more ways than one can imagine!

The Chester Conservation Commission is currently a six-member, all-volunteer board appointed by the Selectmen under the provisions of NH RSA 36-A: 2, which allows municipalities in New Hampshire to establish commissions “for the proper utilization and protection of the natural resources and for the protection of watershed resources.” This work includes preparing maps and plans, “keeping an index of open space and natural, aesthetic, or ecological areas” within the town in order to obtain information “pertinent to proper utilization of all such areas.” The Commission acts as an advisory board to other Town and State boards and agencies involved in land use planning, wetland impacts, and protection of natural resources in Chester.

*The Chester Conservation Commission meets on the **second** Tuesday of each month. These meetings are used to review subdivision applications, wetlands permit applications, and other matters presented to the Commission for comment. Our meetings are televised and open to the public. Your input is encouraged.*

The Conservation Commission officers are as follows: Charles Myette, Chairman; Patrick Connelly, Treasurer; Baron Richardson; Phil Cassista; Jeff Geary; and new member this year, Debra Munson. Currently, the Commission is in need of one (1) new member. Please contact one of the existing members if you are interested in joining and in helping conserve Chester’s natural resources.

The past year (2013-2014), the Conservation Commission has been working on several land preservation and protection projects and working with the Planning Commission and the ZBA reviewing several land development projects.

Land Conservation - The Conservation Commission provides stewardship on over 32 conservation easements. Chester has over 2,000 acres of protected farmland, forests and wetlands. The monitoring of these properties is funded by the Conservation and Forest accounts. Currently, new Conservation Easements are being drafted for the “Back 40” Farm (40 acres) and two other smaller “Conservation Subdivisions” in coordination with the Planning Board.

Wason Pond – The Conservation Commission is an active member of the Wason Pond Conservation and Recreation Commission. Two members of the Commission (Chuck Myette and Patrick Connelly) sit on the advisory board. The 105-acre Wason Pond Conservation and Recreation Area (“WPRCA”) was purchased with \$1.55 million from the Town’s Conservation Fund and is governed by an easement that restricts use to recreation and conservation purposes. The Commission and its members have been very involved in the oversight of the ball fields and entrance road realignment project which were completed this year.

Spring Hill Farm – The Commission is also an active member of the Spring Hill Farm Trust and in accordance with Miss Church’s wishes in her bequest. (Ms. Church was a former Chester school teacher who donated a working farm with a house, barn, outbuildings and over 400 acres of farm land to the Town before her passing.) Two members of the Conservation Commission (Chuck Myette and Jeff Geary Chairman) are members of the Trust that manages the operation of the farm land and acts as stewards of the Trust and Conservation Easement.

Exeter/Squamscot Rivers Local Advisory Committee (ESRLAC) – This year, Chester hosted the January meeting of ESRLAC at the Town Hall to discuss protection of the Exeter River. The Exeter River begins as a small stream in the protected Herrick Woods Conservation Area of Chester and gains strength from several tributaries before it tumbles over the dam in downtown Exeter and changes its identity to the tidal Squamscot River. The Conservation Commission is a long-time member of ESRLAC representing the interests of Chester. More than 18% of the Exeter River Watershed lies within the Chester Town limits and because of the smaller size of the river near the head waters this stretch of the river is more sensitive to change in water quality as a result of urbanization. Over the past 16 years, the impervious surface in Chester has doubled increasing runoff as evidenced by recent localized flooding and slight changes in water quality. ESRLAC is working with several of the Towns to evaluate problem areas and to help fund reconstruction projects as well as evaluating nutrient, non-point sources.

Town Forests – The Conservation Commission also has the responsibility to manage the Town Forest properties. No new activities this year, however, we are looking at a couple of the older stands for forest management.

Commission Membership – The Commission Meetings are open to the public, and we welcome new members who wish to have a hand in the future of Chester and the preservation of its natural resources and rural characteristics. Please join us in conserving Chester’s unique and valuable resources.

Chester Conservation Commission
 Chuck Myette, Chairman

*Photo right: Towle
 Brook in Winter.
 (Courtesy of Chuck
 Myette)*



Chester Agricultural Commission

The Chester Agricultural Commission consists of seven appointed members pursuant to NH RSA 674:44-e. These volunteers care about agriculture in Chester and invite the public to attend Agricultural Commission Meetings and events encouraging agriculture, agricultural resources, and agricultural-based economic opportunities while balancing Chester's rural character and growth.

The Mission statement is as follows:

1. *To represent Chester farms and to advise the Chester Town regulatory bodies on agricultural matters.*
2. *To facilitate communication among farmers, to educate the community in agriculture, and to promote the business of farming and farm activities in Chester.*
3. *To promote and to help preserve the farms, agricultural lands, and rural character of Chester.*

The Commission meets the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7 P.M. at the Town Municipal Complex.

In 2013, the Agricultural Commission explored options for obtaining local, farm fresh products for lunches at Chester Academy. The New Hampshire Farm to School Program and some local farmers were introduced to the new Food Service Director, Tyfany Carbone, at an Agricultural Commission Meeting. Tyfany was animated about the idea of bringing fresh, good food to the children and also expressed an interest in finding out if any farmers would be interested in planting a herb garden at the School. Delivery of food, cost, and having a time table of what is available from local farmers presented an obstacle for direct Chester farm-to-school products at the time.

As one of the Chester Agricultural Commission's ongoing projects, an inventory of Chester's agricultural businesses (farms, stables, and other agri-related properties) was updated. The complete listing of properties, including contact information, will be available on the Town of Chester's website (www.cheternh.org) on the Agricultural Commission's page. The following list, alphabetical by property name, contains Chester farms or agricultural-related businesses who welcome the public:



Apples and peaches are some of the many products for sale at Hazelton Orchards.



Clarence & Nancy Ware at Spring Pond Farm offer fresh vegetables for sale with a smile.



Millcreek Dairy Farm offers raw and pasteurized goat's milk, cheese, and soap for sale.

Property Name	Owner/Principal Contact	Address	Products/Services
August Moon Farm	Stephen & Cindy Landau	662 Candia Rd	Fruit, Livestock
Back 40 Farm	Bill Ahie	75 Fremont Rd	Farmstand, Beef, Pork, Eggs, Jams
BMC Acres	Baron & Mary Richardson	45 Twin Fawn Rd	Garlic, Herbs
Bright Bay Farm LLC	Lindsay Goff	296 Lane Road	Horses (boarding, lessons)
Chester Custom Cuts	Jim Gage	519 Candia Rd	Meat-cutter, Butcher
Chester Hollow Water Gardens	Charlie & Wendy Holland	119 Haverhill Rd	Water Gardens
Dunwoody Farm	Laura Dunwoody	540 Candia Rd	Turkey, chicken, vegetables
Field to Fork Farm	Patrick Connelly	522 Haverhill Rd	Beef, Pork, Raw Milk, Honey, Maple Syrup
Folsom's Sugar House	Brian Folsom	130 Candia Rd	Maple Sugar Products
Halls Village Farm	Colin Costine	162 Halls Village Rd	Hay
Hazelton Orchards	Kitt Plummer	20 Harantis Lake Rd	Fruit, Vegetables, Cider, Honey, Farmstand
Healey Farm	Robert Healey	93 Fremont Rd	Beef
Hickory Hollow Farm	Richard Bellemore	154 Sandown Rd	Maple, Hay, Milk, Vegetables
Higherground Farm	Bob Pepper	178 Derry Rd	Beef, Hay, Milk, Dairy Products
Hillside Farm of Chester	Ted Scott	121 Derry Rd	Eggs, Hay, Beef (periodically)
Kulacrosse Farm	Stephanie Moses	57 Halls Village Rd	Horses
Labrie Stables	Lindsay Labrie	49 Rod & Gun Club Rd	Horses (lessons, training, horseshows)
Millcreek Dairy	Jeff Geary	217 Chester St	Goats Milk, Cheese and Soap
NH CSA LLC	Gary Van Geyte	90 Towle Rd @greenhouse	Produce
Sandy Acres Alpaca Farm	Steve & Jodi Boeske	856 Raymond Rd	Alpaca Fiber, Eggs
Sandy Acres Farmstand	Steve & Jodi Boeske	90 Towle Rd @greenhouse	Farmstand, vegetables
Senator Bell Farm	Brian & Jessica Nicoll	156 Derry Rd	Horses (boarding, lessons)
Spring Hill Farm	The Sweet Family	96 Towle Rd	TBA
Spring Pond Farm	Clarence Ware	348 Raymond Rd	Farmstand, Hay
Whisper Hill Farm	Douglas Thompson	234 Old Chester Tpke	Horses (boarding)

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The Commission seeks to interact with the public to build on existing relationships with residents and farmers, such as CSA's (Community-Supported Agriculture) and farmer's markets already taking place.

The Commission's largest public interaction was at the Town Fair where Chester farms could place themselves on Chester's Agricultural Map, meet and greet other farmers, and sign up to be included to receive notifications from the Commission for the establishment of a friendly, informative relationship.

This Town Fair featured Bob Pepper's cow, Matilda, for the 50/50 Cow Plop Bingo event. 50% of the proceeds were targeted for agricultural education in collaboration with the Chester Public Library. Bingo ticket sales totaled \$435.00 and our Library Director, by chance, bought the winning ticket. Tim graciously forfeited his 50% winnings to put the whole \$435.00 towards agricultural-education programs. Thank you, Tim, for supporting agriculture in Chester and for co-hosting "The Exciting World of Bees" with beekeeper/educator Wendy Booth this past winter. The turnout was successful with people of all ages enjoying Wendy's animated talk about honey bees. (Did you know that there are at least two places to purchase local honey in Chester?)

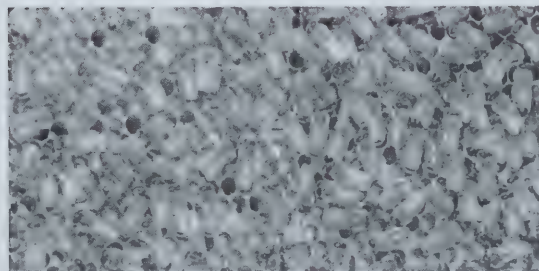


Additionally, the Agricultural Commission's Town Fair Booth stirred up lots of fun and excitement for the children with its Backyard Chicken Contest for cutest and ugliest chickens. And, by popular demand, the Flower/vegetable Arrangement Contest was held with first second and third place ribbons with prizes awarded to the people's choice winners. Thank you to all who participated and visited our Booth. A special thank you to Bill Gregsak, for surveying the Cow-Plop Bingo grid and of course, to Matilda, the Peppers' cow, for putting up with the heat to make cow-pies!

Respectfully Submitted,

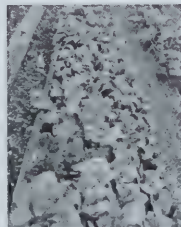
Chester Agricultural Commission

Bob Pepper, Chairman
Gary Van Geyte, Vice Chairman
Chuck Myette, Treasurer
Patrick Connelly
Jeff Geary
Karen Geary, Alternate
Patricia Martin, Alternate



Honey bees work hard to survive and to provide us with pollination of the farmer's crops, honey, and beeswax. Be honey bee friendly and learn that honey bees sting only to protect their hive so never disturb their hive or deliberately attack them!

Pictured right are some agricultural scenes in Chester, NH. (photos courtesy of Patrick Connelly)



American Legion Auxiliary

Founded in 1919, the American Legion Auxiliary is the world's largest women's patriotic service organization. The American Legion Auxiliary's mission to serve veterans, the military and their families is carried out through its hundreds of outreach programs delivered by its members, volunteers and national headquarters.

With a heavy heart, we must report that in October 2013, Gladys Nichol passed away at the age of 96. Gladys was a dedicated, long-time member of Unit 108. Without her generosity and perseverance, Unit 108 would not be able to call Chester its home. Gladys was named Honorary President of our unit prior to her passing. She will certainly be missed.

The American Legion Auxiliary and the American Legion helped kick-off the 2013 Chester Town Fair by leading the Town Parade with the help of Pinkerton's ROTC students. Also, we had an informational booth with a Humvee and a cork gun shooting game run. The children really enjoyed the cork game and doing chin ups with the U.S. Army recruiters!

In May 2013, we held an Electronics' Drive. The proceeds went toward the restoration of the Legion building. We plan on hosting our second Electronics' Drive Saturday, May 3, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the parking lot by the Town Fields.

As the Post building makes progress toward completion, Auxiliary Unit 108 hopes to focus more time on advocating patriotism in Chester, especially among our children and youth.

We are proud to report that Chester American Legion Auxiliary Unit 108 received the 2012-2013 American Legion Auxiliary Award for "Service Not Self." Also, we received the Leeds Trophy, the Greenwood Trophy (class C), the Moquin-Laporte-Munsey Trophy and the Knowles Tray (class C) in 2013.

The American Legion Auxiliary meets the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at Forsaith-Drowne Post 108 located at 25 Raymond Road, Chester, New Hampshire. We always welcome new members.

Eligible for membership in the American Legion Auxiliary: The mother, wife, daughter, sister, granddaughter, great-granddaughter, or grandmother of members of the American Legion and deceased veterans who served in the United States Armed Forces during the Gulf War/War On Terrorism, Panama, Lebanon/Grenada, Vietnam War, Korean War, World War II & World War I.

If you have any questions about our organization, you may contact President Michelle Trask at 603-264-6914 or email chesterlegionaux@gmail.com.

American Legion Auxiliary Officers:

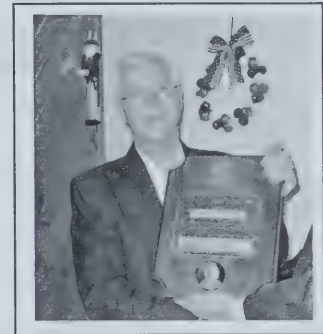
Michelle Trask, Unit President
Julie Sprague, First Vice Chair
Sharon DeLuca, Second Vice Chair
Leslie Packard, Secretary

Michelle Nicolaisen, Treasurer
Sandra Tansey, Chaplain
Danita Brayall, Sargeant at Arms
Elissa Simard, Historian

Chester Lions Club

The Chester Lions Club was chartered in 1963. We exist to help our community and the world to be a better place.

The Chester Lions Club has had another busy year! Along with our regular projects we celebrated our 50th anniversary as a club. It was well attended by fellow lions, friends, and some of the original Charter Members. Two of our members, Charles Frederick and Bruce Baker, were awarded a Melvin Jones Fellow award. Congratulations gentlemen, it is well deserved! *(Photo right: Charlie Frederick accepting the Melvin Jones Fellow Award.)*



Congratulations also to the recipient of our High School Senior Scholarship, Samantha Bresnahan! We are proud of your accomplishments! The Club was also



honored with a proclamation from the Town for 50 years of dedication and volunteerism. The plaque hangs in the hallway at Stevens Memorial Hall. *(See photo left of Stephen O. Landau, Selectmen Chairman, holding 50-year service recognition plaque and presenting it to Lion Bruce Baker. Also present from left-to-right are Selectmen Richard J. LeBlanc, Joseph M. Hagan, Joseph S. Castricone, and Jack Cannon. Photo courtesy of Matt Rittenhouse, Reporter of Tri-Town Times.)*

We would like to say thank you to everyone for their support. Without YOU, we would not be able to continue helping the less fortunate. As we move into the spring and summer seasons, we will be busy with our fundraisers as

well as giving back to the community.

Would you like to be a Lion? Please feel free to attend a meeting to see what Lionism is all about! We are proud to say: "WE SERVE!" We meet for dinner meetings the 2nd Thursday of the month at Stevens Memorial Hall (7pm) and our board of director's meeting is the 3rd Thursday of the month at the Wason Pond Community Center (7 pm). Check out our Facebook page at: Chester, NH Lions Club.

For more information call Sheryl Baker, Membership Chair at 887-4424.

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Towle
Chester Lions Club

Pictured Right:

*Marilyn Rosetti
& John Colman
receiving the
Lions Club 2013
Man and Woman
of-the-Year
Award*



**Town of Chester
Official Town Election
May 14th and 18th, 2013**

The Town of Chester election for officers and zoning amendments was held on Tuesday, May 14th, 2013. The election was held at the Chester Multi-Purpose Room. The polls were opened at 7:00am. Moderator Michael Scott officially closed the polls at 7:00pm.

Article #1: To choose the necessary Town Officials for the ensuing year.

512 ballots were cast, including absentee ballots. The results of the election were as follows:

Board of Selectmen for 3 years:

(Vote for not more than 1)

Michael A. Weider	-	171
Joseph Castricone	-	313*

Road Agent for 2 years:

(Vote for not more than 1)

John Sacco	-	172
Michael J. Oleson	-	329*

Trustee of the Trust Funds for 1 year:

(Vote for not more than 1)

There were no candidates for this position; 43 write-in votes were received.

Trustee of the Trust Funds for 3 years:

(Vote for not more than 1)

There were no candidates for this position; 35 write-in votes were received.

Budget Committee Member for 1 year:

(Vote for not more than 1)

There were no candidates for this position; 36 write-in votes were received.

Budget Committee Member for 2 years:

(Vote for not more than 1)

There were no candidates for this position; 19 write-in votes were received.

Budget Committee Member for 3 years:

(Vote for not more than 1)

Ephraim Dobbins	-	358*
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Library Trustee for 3 years

(Vote for not more than 1)

Renee A. Mallett	-	383*
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Great Hill Cemetery Trustee for 5 years:

(Vote for not more than 1)

Donald P. Brown	-	423*
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Village Cemetery Trustee for 3 years:

(Vote for not more than 1)

Geoffrey Barnett	-	406*
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Wilcomb Townsend Trustee for 5 years:

(Vote for not more than 1)

Cynthia N. Tunberg	-	437*
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School Board Members for 3 years:

(Vote for not more than 2)

Valerie Weider	-	281*
Sarah B. Ungaro	-	388*

Moderator Scott congratulated all newly elected officials, and thanked the volunteers. A listing of the write-in votes for each position will be available for perusal at the break; Moderator Scott will also contact those not present.

The Clerk of the School Board moved to close the School portion of the meeting; this motion was seconded. The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **The School portion of the meeting is closed.**

Article # 2

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #1** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as

follows?

Amend: Amend Section 5.5 Limited Commercial/Light Industrial Zone (C2), Subsection 5.5.3 Prohibited Uses by adding a new Subsection 5.5.3.3 prohibiting residential housing of any type and renumber subsequent subsection.

Yes 239 / No 213 Article #2 carries.

Article #3

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #2** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend: Amend Article 16 Groundwater Protection by making changes throughout this Article to make consistent with NH Department of Environmental Services requirements and Best Management Practices for Groundwater Protection.

Yes 356 / No 111 Article #3 carries.

Article #4

Are you in favor of the adoption of **Amendment #3** as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows?

Amend: Section 5.8 Telecommunications Facility District, Subsection 5.8.7.2 b) Decisions to address the recent federal legislation change requiring local governments to comply with changes to the Federal Telecommunication Act regarding the modification of any existing wireless tower or base station.

Yes 334 / No 118 Article #4 carries.

Special Warrant Article #5

Passage of this article shall override the 10% limitation imposed on this appropriation due to non-recommendation of the budget committee.

Shall the Town of Chester raise and appropriate One Million, eight hundred thousand dollars (\$1,800,000) for the acquisition of approximately 70 acres of land and the buildings thereon known as Tax Map 005 Lot 015 (the property formerly known as Chester College), and to authorize the issuance of One Million, eight hundred thousand dollars (\$1,800,000) in bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33), and further authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate the bonds and notes and determine the rate of interest thereon and authorize the Selectmen to apply for, accept and expend for this purpose, any federal, state or private money that becomes available and to take any other action necessary to carry out this vote, and further raise and appropriate the additional sum of Thirty-one thousand, fifty dollars (\$31,050) for the first year payment of the bond? This article must pass by a 2/3 majority ballot vote.

Tax Impact: \$3.90 Total/\$0.07 First year payment

No Recommendation by Board of Selectmen Tally Vote – 0 Yes/0 No/5 Abstain

Not Recommended by Budget Committee Tally Vote – 0 Yes/5 No/1 Abstain

As Special Warrant Article #5 is a bond issue, it must be addressed first, the polls must remain open for one hour after voting begins, and a 2/3 (super) majority is required for passage. Budget Committee Chairperson Lamphere informed the residents that the 10% limitation would not be applicable at all today.

Special Warrant Article #5 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Chairman Landau explained that the Board of Selectmen had decided against recommending, or not recommending, this Warrant Article as they believe that any decision should be made by the Legislative Body alone. They had merely done what was asked of them; that is, researched the potential purchase of the property, and partnered with Better Future Alliance in order to give the Town all of its options. The entire 72-acre parcel is assessed by the Town for \$4.1m, which, as a college, produces \$59k of tax revenue; it is appraised for \$1.8m; it is for sale for \$2.6m. The Town's tentative offer of \$1.8m for the entire parcel was rejected by the College Trustees' attorney. Some portions of the property do have offers pending on them. There has been no interest in purchasing the entire property, as is, for an educational institution.

Stuart Arnett of Better Future Alliance gave a presentation on the Town's options. These varied from doing nothing and allowing a developer or developers to purchase the property, strengthening the Town's zoning ordinances to keep the "small town ambiance" of Chester intact, or purchasing the entire parcel, which would require an increase to the Warrant article.

Residents, including John Motto, Royal Richardson, and Dennis Maloney, had many questions after the presentation, including some that revolved around the infrastructure of the property, the feasibility of amending zoning ordinances after any outside purchase to protect the Town, and the potential purchase by the Town of only the front portion of the property.

Selectman Landau noted that unless someone wanted to amend the Warrant Article to \$2.6m, passing it would be moot as the College Trustees' lawyer had indicated that that was the purchase price. He stated that he was not in favor of purchasing the property and his main concern is the two front buildings and the streetscape.

Chris Hadik moved to amend the article by changing the amount from \$1.8m to \$2.6m, so that the article would read, in part:

*Shall the Town of Chester raise and appropriate ~~One~~ **Two Million, eight six** hundred thousand dollars (~~\$1,800,000~~ **\$2,600,000**) for the acquisition of approximately 70 acres of land and the buildings thereon known as Tax Map 005 Lot 015 (the property formerly known as Chester College), and to authorize the issuance of ~~One~~ **Two Million, eight six** hundred thousand dollars (~~\$1,800,000~~ **\$2,600,000**) in bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33)...*

The amendment was seconded. After some discussion to clarify the change, the question was called as to the amendment, and the voice vote was in the negative. **The Amendment to Special Warrant Article #5 fails.**

Chris Hadik moved to table this Article; this motion was seconded. The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Special Warrant Article #5 is tabled.**

A motion was made to reconsider the article; this motion was seconded. There was no discussion. The question was called; the voice vote was in the negative. **Special Warrant Article #5 will remain tabled.**

Rhonda Lamphere moved to restrict reconsideration of this article; this motion was seconded. There was no discussion. The question was called; the voice vote was in the negative. **Special Warrant Article #5 will not be reconsidered.**

Special Warrant Article # 6

Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under RSA 35:1 for the purpose of funding projects as recommended in the Town's Capital Improvement Plan adopted under RSA 674:5 which includes reconstruction of roads; and raise and appropriate the sum of Three hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$350,000) to be placed in this fund and to authorize the transfer of One hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) from the June 30, 2013 general unassigned fund balance for this purpose with the remainder of Two hundred thousand (\$200,000) to be raised through taxation. Selectmen are not to be made agents to expend this fund; expenditure from this fund will require future warrant article.

Tax Impact: \$0.43

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 4 Yes/1No

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/1 No

Special Warrant Article #6 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Selectman Weider shared a Planning Board presentation on CIPs with the residents. The Planning Board drew up this CIP, which requires \$2.4m over a seven-year cycle. Requests are judged by the following questions: can the Town afford this item? Will it enhance public safety? Will it provide a public service?

This year's Warrant Article calls for \$350k, which is earmarked for road work. The previous road bond will be retired next year; the ~\$200k that goes towards that can go into the CIP instead. It will also be proposed to move highway block grant monies into the CIP. The Town is also working on impact fees. CIPs are short-term debt, so only require a simple majority to pass; they help stabilize the tax rate with level funding. This will also do away with "the 10% rule".

Residents, including Lynn Rockwell, Charlotte Lister, Ted Scott, and Craig Robie, had many questions after the presentation, including one that queried the claim that CIPs help avoid multiple Warrant Articles, but also that a Warrant Article is needed to expend from the fund. The apparent discrepancy was explained by noting that under the current system, a separate Warrant Article is needed for each individual expenditure; under a CIP, only one Warrant Article is needed to expend for all items listed under the year in question. The CIP cannot be drawn down this year; residents wishing to fund roadwork this year will need to vote in favor of Warrant Article #7.

Road Agent Oleson stated that he was unsure how he was expected to complete road work for \$350k, considering that he had requested a bond of \$6m last year. He stated that, even with the CIP, he will still require large Warrant Articles. Selectman Weider countered that Road Agent Oleson had supplied the details of the roadwork, and the Town's Engineer had supplied the figures. The detailed CIP is on the Town's website should anyone care to review it.

David Kovacs and Dennis Maloney each spoke in favor of the Warrant Article, stating that the Town needed to maintain its infrastructure; this may not be enough money to do all of the work needed, but it was a start.

A motion was made to waive the second reading of this Warrant Article and only announce the results; this motion was seconded. The voice vote was in the affirmative; the motion carries. The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Special Warrant Article #6 carries.**

Article #7

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) to purchase asphalt and to improve, repair and maintain roads in the Town of Chester.

Tax Impact: \$0.43

Recommended by Board of Selectmen Tally Vote – 4 Yes/1 No

Not Recommended by Budget Committee Tally Vote – 1 Yes/5 No

Article #7 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Vice-Chairman Hagan spoke in favor of this Article, stating that the Town's roads need repair and the Town needed to provide the Road Agent with some resources. David Kovacs and Charlotte Lister also spoke in support.

Road Agent Oleson stated that the amount in this Warrant Article was enough to shim and put a wear course on Shepherd Home Road. If the work is put off until next year, the same work will cost \$250k.

Budget Committee Member Chuck Heuer stated that the Budget Committee did not support this Warrant Article; that they instead supported the CIP. The question was called; at the request of the Budget Committee, a paper ballot was used. **Yes 152 / No 24 Article #7 carries.**

Article #8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Twenty two thousand, one hundred dollars (\$22,100) to hire a part-time Assistant Library Director for the Chester Public Library. Said funds are for salary and associated benefits.

Tax Impact: \$.05

Not Recommended by Board of Selectmen Tally Vote – 1 Yes/4 No

Not Recommended by Budget Committee Tally Vote – 1 Yes/4 No/1 Abstain

Article #8 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Chairman Landau noted that the Board of Selectmen's non-recommendation was an error; the Selectmen had thought, wrongly, that supporting this Warrant Article meant that the Town would need to vote on the Assistant Library Director's salary each year, but this is not the case. As such, they now recommend the Article. He also noted that the Library Trustees control their own budget, and bring forth their request every year; the Trustees apparently think this position is necessary.

Mary Beth Ditoro, a Library Trustee, spoke in favor of this Article. She noted that the Budget Committee had requested that this position be removed from the Library's budget request and put into a Warrant Article, so was surprised to see that the Budget Committee was not supporting the request. She asked if this non-support meant that the funds for the position had been returned to the budget? Chairman Landau stated that they had not, and that the Warrant Article must be passed in order to fund this position.

Budget Committee Vice-Chair Hadik stated that the Budget Committee had approved a large increase in the Library budget over last year, a total of \$22k, which was mostly wages. This Warrant Article would mean the overall Library Budget had gone up 40% and they could not support such an increase.

Kandace Knowlton, a Library Trustee, stated that the Library staff had not received an increase last year, whereas the Town Employees had. She stated that programs had increased 207%, and that Library Director Tim Sheehan needed help. Ms. Ditoro agreed, stating that there was a large increase in children's programs, and that the current Children's Library aide only worked 12 hours a week. Chester College used to run a Writers' Group, and now that that was defunct, a volunteer was running this program at the Chester Library. Some of the Library's collection is so old that the information contained therein is no longer relevant; it needs to be replaced, and that also takes a lot of work. Library Director Sheehan is overwhelmed, and extra manpower is needed. Deb Munson, a Library trustee, spoke of the intensive labor required to upgrade the catalogue system in the fall.

Mr. Kovacs thanked Library Director Sheehan, stating that he had taken the Library to a higher level, and that it was an important part of the Town's infrastructure.

A motion was made to waive the second reading of this Warrant Article and only announce the results; this motion was seconded. The voice vote was in the affirmative; the motion carries. The question was called; at the request of the Budget Committee, a paper ballot was used. **Yes 60 / No 50 Article #8 carries.**

Budget Committee Chair Lamphere stated that the Budget Committee had been accused of wasting time with the ballot votes, but that their intention was so that residents could vote for or against any article without offending their neighbors. She stated that the ballot votes only took ten minutes or so each.

Article #9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Fifty-seven thousand dollars (\$57,000) for the purpose of adding a roof over the dumpsters at the Transfer Station.

Tax Impact: \$0.12

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0 No

Not Recommended by Budget Committee Tally Vote – 3 Yes/3 No

Article #9 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Chairman Landau stated that Chester is in the top 1% of communities that recycle; this suggested roof would keep weather out of the Transfer Station product, which would allow for more efficient recycling and decrease the cost of trucking. He noted that Transfer Station drawings from ~16 years ago had shown a roof as part of the original plan, but that it was deleted in order to save money. Chairman Landau estimates that this roof could improve the Transfer Station's revenue by ~\$6k annually.

Budget Committee Member Heuer stated that the Budget Committee had had no documentation on this roof until recently, so they had been unable to perform any financial analysis. As a result, they were split on their vote to support.

Colin Costine stated that he had previously been a Selectman and on the Solid Waste Committee, and that his sketch had been the model for the Transfer Station; a roof had never been included on that sketch, because no other Transfer Stations had had one. He had contacted Manchester Recycling and they claimed that a roof would not make any difference to the revenue. It might make work easier for the Healeys and the truck drivers, but there was no other reason to build a roof.

Craig Robie asked if money had been spent on engineering, and if there was a plan? Chairman Landau stated that Dubois & King had provided the specs (although it is unclear how much they were paid to do so), and two contractors had provided estimates. Dubois & King had originally wanted to attach the roof to the existing building, but that would have doubled the cost. Budget Committee Vice-Chair Hadik had a copy of the plan, which he gave to Mr. Robie. Mr. Robie also inquired about the Transfer Station product – did the Town pay to have it removed, or did the Town make money from it? Chairman Landau replied that as the product was commodities, this could and did fluctuate. The question was called; the voice vote was inconclusive. A show of hands was requested and counted; the hand vote was in the affirmative. **Article #9 carries.**

Article #10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the Budget Committee recommended amount of \$3,846,855.00 for the operating budget for the support of Town government for the payment of salaries and for the payment of statutory obligations of the Town. The Board of Selectmen recommends \$3,846,855.00.

This article does not include appropriations voted in other warrant articles.

	BOS	BC
General Government	\$1,499,843	\$1,499,843
Public Safety	\$885,500	\$885,500
Highways, Streets, Bridges	\$633,263	\$633,263
Sanitation	\$156,982	\$156,982
Health & Welfare	\$51,734	\$51,734
Culture & Recreation	\$223,776	\$223,776
Conservation & Eco. Dev.	\$2,370	\$2,370
Debt Service	\$393,387	\$393,387
Total Appropriation	\$3,846,855	\$3,846,855

*Recommended by Budget Committee**Tally Vote – 4 Yes/2 No*

Article #10 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion, but there was none. The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #10 carries.**

Special Article #11

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five year lease/purchase agreement for the sum of One hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$185,000) for the purpose of lease/purchasing a Class 8 dump truck with wing plow and sander and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-seven thousand three hundred fifty dollars (\$37,350) which includes principal and interest for the first year's payment for that purpose. The lease agreement contains an escape clause.

Tax Impact: \$0.40 Total/\$0.08 First year payment

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0 No

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/1 No

Special Article #11 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

It was noted that the designation "Special" meant that if the funds raised and appropriate were not spent in their entirety, the remainder would go directly into the unexpended fund balance, and not become part of the annual budget.

Road Agent Oleson stated that he wished to amend this Warrant Article to specify a smaller, less expensive vehicle. He stated that he currently only had one driver with a CDL (which is necessary to drive a Class 8 vehicle), and that driver was 64 years old; also, there was no building available to house the larger vehicle.

Selectman Weider demurred, stating that the Board of Selectmen had voted to recommend this Article based on a particular, specific type of vehicle.

Road Agent Oleson moved to amend Special Article #11 to specify a Class 5 dump truck for \$92k; this motion was seconded. The Article, if amended, would read as follows:

*Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five year lease/purchase agreement for the sum of ~~One hundred eighty-five~~ **ninety two** thousand dollars (~~\$185,000~~ **\$92,000**) for the purpose of lease/purchasing a Class ~~8~~ **5** dump truck with wing plow and sander and to raise and appropriate the sum of ~~Thirty-seven thousand three hundred fifty~~ **eighteen thousand six hundred seventy five** dollars (~~\$37,350~~ **\$18,675**) which includes principal and interest for the first year's payment for that purpose. The lease agreement contains an escape clause.*

The amendment was seconded. Budget Committee Member Heuer spoke in opposition to the Amendment, stating that the Budget Committee had performed its analysis on a Class 8 truck. He stated that the Town already owned a new Class 5 truck, and that the Class 8 truck had superior plowing capabilities. Road Agent Oleson reiterated that he only had one CDL driver; a CDL was not necessary to drive a Class 5 truck.

Selectman Cannon asked if the Town raised and appropriated \$18,675, and the funds needed turned out to be more, could the Town still get a lease? Town Counsel Diane Gorrow stated that the Town would simply need to take money out of the general fund in order to make up the shortfall. The question was called as to the amendment, and the voice vote was in the affirmative. **The Amendment to Special Article #11 carries.**

Selectman Weider again spoke in opposition to the Warrant Article, stating that the change took away the Town's ability to perform its own work, and gave it to Contractors. He opined that this was not a good way to do business. Mr. Robie and Mr. Costine inquired as to whether or not the Town needed to hire another person with a CDL license. The question was called; at the request of the Budget Committee, a paper ballot was used. **Yes 44 / No 49 Special Article #11 fails.**

Special Article #12

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five year lease/purchase agreement for the sum of One hundred thirty-five thousand dollars (\$135,000) for the purpose of lease/purchasing a Loader and to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-seven thousand, nine hundred fifty dollars (\$27,950) which includes principal and interest for the first year's payment for that purpose. The lease agreement contains an escape clause.

Tax Impact: \$0.29 Total/\$0.06 First year payment

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 4 Yes/1 No

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote – 1 Yes/5 No

Special Article #12 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Road Agent Oleson stated that this loader, with a ten-year lifespan, could be useful for loading trucks and clearing the sides of the roads; it could also be used by the Maintenance and Recreation departments, and the Transfer Station.

Budget Committee Vice-Chair Hadik asked if this vehicle would require a CDL-licensed driver; it would not. Mr. Kovacs asked if the Town did not already own a loader. Road Agent Oleson replied that the Town owns a backhoe, and rents a loader; last year the cost to rent the loader was \$14k.

Mr. Weider spoke as a citizen, not as a Selectman. He noted that the cost to rent the loader last year may have been \$14k, but in the previous few years it had only been \$3-5k each year. He did not support the purchase of this vehicle, which is expensive to maintain and not useful year-round; also, the Town has a backhoe already, which can be used for most of the jobs that the loader would be used for. The question was called; at the request of the Budget Committee, a paper ballot was used. **Yes 27 / No 61 Special Article #12 fails.**

Budget Committee Vice-Chair moved to defer consideration of Special Article #13 until the results were received from Special Article #12; this motion was seconded. The voice vote was in the affirmative; the motion carries. **Special Article #13 will be discussed once the results of Special Article #12 are known.**

At this point, the Board of Selectmen took control of the meeting in order to present this year's awards.

- The Full-Time Employee of the Year award was presented to George Noyes.
- The Part-Time Employee of the Year award was presented to Sarah Scanlan.
- The Volunteers of the Year awards were presented to Billie Maloney and Bill Chirgwin.
- Special Thanks were given to Dick Trask for his work on the American Legion Hall.
- Special Thanks were given to Jean Packard for her work on Town Fair.
- Special Thanks were given to Jean Methot for his work on the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission.
- Special Thanks were given to Cecilia Bradley for helping to beautify the town through gardening.
- The entire Police Department was recognized with t-shirts as "Unsung Heroes".
- Special Thanks were given to Finance Director Joanne Smith, Town Clerk Barbara Gagnon, Administrative Assistant Patricia Martin, and Recording Secretary Debra Doda.
- Special Thanks were given to Michael Weider on his departure from the Board of Selectmen.

At the conclusion of this section, Moderator Scott again took control of the Meeting. He thanked all first-time voters.

Special Article #13

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate One hundred ten-thousand dollars (\$110,000) to remove the debris from the grounds around the Town salt shed and further to construct two buildings to house the necessary equipment. This will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the debris is removed and two buildings are completed or by June 30, 2015, whichever is sooner.

Tax Impact: \$0.24

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0No

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote – 4 Yes/2 No

Special Article #13 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Selectman Weider noted that this Warrant Article included a building to house the truck requested in Warrant Article #12, which had failed. He recommended that the article be tabled. There was no action taken on this recommendation. The question was called; the voice vote was in the negative. **Special Article #13 fails.**

Special Warrant Article #14

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000) to be added to the Winter Road Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund established in 2006 for the purpose of sanding, salting and plowing in the Town of Chester. The Winter Expendable Trust Fund shall not exceed eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000).

Tax Impact: \$0.18

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0 No

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote – 4 Yes/2 No

Special Warrant Article #14 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Budget Committee Chair Lamphere stated that according to the April expense report, the highway department had only overspent its winter maintenance lines (sand, salt, and plowing) by \$20k; why, then, was the Expendable Trust Fund emptied of all \$85k and now needed to be replenished fully? She stated that this fund was not intended to be an extension of the Highway Budget.

Selectman Weider replied that the Finance Department had run the numbers and that all \$85k had been required; Finance Director Smith agreed, stating that the overspend of \$20k was after the application of the \$85k.

Budget Committee Chair Lamphere opined that perhaps Road Agent Oleson had under-budgeted. Selectman Weider stated that the Highway Department's request during Budget Season for more funds had not moved forward, and that this was a worse winter than in previous years. Road Agent Oleson agreed, stating that this winter there were many prolonged storms, Town-owned vehicles out of service, he had tested a different, more expensive type of salt; all of these had contributed to the overspend. The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Special Warrant Article #14 carries.**

Article #15

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the purpose of re-roofing the multi-purpose room.

Tax Impact: \$0.11

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0 No

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/1 No

Article #15 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Selectman LeBlanc spoke in favor of this Article. He stated that the roof, which was built in 1986, had outlived its expected life of 15-20 years; it was regularly developing leaks and being patched. The chosen bidder had installed the new roof on the other part of the Municipal Complex at a previous date, and had returned to perform warranty work at no charge. The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #15 carries.**

Article #16

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a five year lease/purchase agreement for the sum of Forty-five thousand, five hundred dollars (\$45,500) for the purpose of lease/purchasing a Skid Steer to be used at the Transfer Station and to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine thousand, six hundred forty dollars (\$9,640) which includes principal and interest for the first year's payment for that purpose and authorize the use of One thousand, five hundred fifty-nine (\$1,559) of funds that were donated to the town for this purpose following the adoption of a non-lapsing article at the 2010 Town Meeting (article 23 which conditioned the purchase of the equipment on the receipt of 100% of the cost of the equipment). The lease agreement contains an escape clause.

Tax Impact: \$0.10 Total/\$0.02 First year payment

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0 No

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote – 1 Yes/5 No

Article #16 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Chairman Landau noted that the Skid Steer parked in front of the MultiPurpose Room was similar to what the Town would like to purchase. It would be used to move air conditioners, refrigerators, cement blocks, etc. The Transfer Station currently has one full-time and five part-time employees; the part-timers shovel snow by the trailers when they are moved out, but the Skid Steer could also be used for that in the future.

Although the Town wished to purchase a Skid Steer using Warrant Article #23 in 2010, the expected grants were diverted to Homeland Security purposes. One \$5,000 grant which was received could not be spent on a Skid Steer due to specific regulations; it was spent on a container instead.

The original quote of \$45,500 was received January 22nd; an updated quote received on May 13th was for \$49,100. Options have been deleted from the Skid Steer to return to the \$45,500 figure. A \$5,000 grant has been applied for, with 95% certainty of receipt. This grant, as well as any other and donations, would be applied towards the Skid Steer's lease. The cost would be less than \$0.02 per thousand for five years. Scratch paint and wax are included.

Budget Committee Chair Lamphere stated that the Budget Committee was picking their priorities this year, and they would prefer to put the purchase off for a year and look for a good used piece of equipment instead, as the Skid Steer would not be

used every day. Chairman Landau replied that he had looked for a used Skid Steer in 2010, but the difference in cost was minimal and the equipment's history unclear.

It was asked if the Skid Steer's purchase would lead to the elimination of any of the part-time employees of the Transfer Station; it will not. It will lower the cost of plowing, and it will lower labor time, but it will not eliminate positions.

Mr. Kovacs asked if it was possible to use any of the Town's other equipment instead at the Transfer Station, perhaps the backhoe? Chairman Landau replied that they could perhaps use the backhoe, but the maneuverability was an issue, as well as the need to transport it back and forth. The question was called; at the request of the Budget Committee, a paper ballot was used. **Yes 51 / No 34** **Article #16 carries.**

Article #17

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty thousand, two hundred fifty dollars (\$40,250) to purchase a fully equipped new police cruiser, and authorize the withdrawal of Twenty thousand, two hundred fifty dollars (\$20,250) from the capital reserve fund established in 2008 for that purpose. The balance of Twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) is to come from general taxation.

Tax Impact: \$0.04

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0 No

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote – 4 Yes/2 No

Article #17 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion, but there was none. The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #17 carries.**

Special Article #18

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be added to the capital reserve fund known as Building Improvement and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund established at the 2008 Town Meeting (Warrant Article #18 as amended). Said funds are necessary to replace fuel lines and to correct deficiencies in the parking lots at the Municipal Building.

Tax Impact: \$0.02

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0 No

Not Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote – 1 Yes/5 No

Special Article #18 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Selectman LeBlanc spoke in support of this Article. He stated that the plan was to remove the underground fuel tank and fuel lines all at the same time, as it was more efficient than doing it separately; it was also considered more efficient to put the new tanks in the annex. This work will also affect the parking lot. The Board is in the process of getting quotes for that work, as well as considering switching from oil to propane. The total amount to be set aside is \$40k, which includes this \$10k; the work is planned for two years out.

Budget Committee Chair Lamphere stated that the Budget Committee did not have any of this information when the decision was made to support or not support the Warrant Article. The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative.

Special Article #18 carries.

Special Article #19

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be added to the Town Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund established in 2009 in order to prepare for the next Town revaluation in 2016?

Tax Impact: \$0.03

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 4 Yes/1 No

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote – 6 Yes/0 No

Special Article #19 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion, but there was none. The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Special Article #19 carries.**

Special Article #20

Shall the Town adopt the provisions of RSA 31:95-c to restrict 100% of revenues from the sale of cemetery lots to expenditures for the purpose of cemetery maintenance? Such revenues and expenditures shall be accounted for in a special revenue fund to be known as the Cemetery Maintenance Special Revenue Fund, separate from the general fund. Any surplus in said fund shall not be deemed part of the general fund accumulated surplus and shall be expended only after a vote by the

legislative body to appropriate a specific amount from said fund for a specific purpose related to the purpose of the fund or source of the revenue.

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0 No

Not Recommended by Budget Committee *Tally Vote – 3 Yes/3 No*

Special Article #20 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Chairman Landau noted that this Warrant Article was intended for the Village Cemetery Trustees, who are in charge of ~15 cemeteries in Town. Two years ago, 2.5 acres were given to the Town to be used as a cemetery; this would provide 400 more gravesites. Each gravesite costs \$400, or \$300 should a person purchase two or more. These monies currently go into the general fund.

Should this Warrant Article pass, the fund would be monitored by the Treasurer, and the Trustees would have to request permission from the Legislative Body should they wish to spend it. It would not be part of the taxpayer-funded budget, and would have no tax impact.

Budget Committee Vice-Chair Hadik stated that the Budget Committee did not have any of this information when the decision was made to support or not support the Warrant Article, but now that they understood the process, they were in favor of supporting it.

The question was called; at the request of the Budget Committee, a paper ballot was used.

Yes 57 / No 8 Special Article #20 carries.

Moderator Scott requested that in the future, the Supervisors of the Checklist should be informed in advance of Town Meeting if a paper ballot would be needed in order that sufficient ballots could be prepared and handed out at the beginning of the meeting.

Special Warrant Article #21

Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under RSA 35:1 for the purpose of funding a Commemorative Monument for valued citizens in the Town of Chester and raise and appropriate the sum of Ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund and to authorize the transfer of Ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) from the June 30, 2013 general unassigned fund balance for this purpose and further to make the Selectmen agents to expend this fund.

Tax Impact: \$0.00

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0No

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote – 4 Yes/2 No

Special Warrant Article #21 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

John Colman spoke in favor of this Article. He noted that Chester honors its veterans, but unlike other Towns there is nowhere to honor the residents who made the Town what it is today, and enabled it to prosper. Some worthy citizens had been honored in the Town Report, but at only one person each year it would be many years before all deserving citizens could be honored. He had approached the Board of Selectmen, who recommended that he form a Heritage Commission. This he did, choosing Web Anderson, Judy Balk, Don Brown, Dean Leighton, Richard Noyes, Darrell Quinn, and Genevieve Rowell to serve along with himself.

Their plan is for a monument in front of the Municipal Complex with benches, a walkway of commemorative pavers, and 7 x 7 x 7 posts that will have brass plates engraved with the names of the honored residents. There would also be plaques inside the building with a paragraph about each honoree.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Special Warrant Article #21 carries.**

Special Warrant Article #22

Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under RSA 35:1 for the purpose of funding the 300th Anniversary Celebration in 2022 and raise and appropriate the sum of Five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in this fund; and further to make the Selectmen agents to expend this fund.

Tax Impact: \$.001

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0 No

Not Recommended by Budget Committee *Tally Vote – 3 Yes/3 No*

Special Warrant Article #22 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Jean Methot spoke in support of this Article. He briefly talked about the 200th anniversary celebration in 1922. He will not be the only planner of this celebration, and would like to start setting up committees now. He stated that whatever monies raised and appropriated that were not spent would be returned to the general fund.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Special Warrant Article #22 carries.**

Special Article #23

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Seven thousand eight hundred eighty-one dollars (\$7,881) for the purpose of providing public, educational, and governmental access television in the Town of Chester. Said funds to be withdrawn from the Special Revenue Fund established as the "PACT" Fund (Warrant Article # 28, 2003), separate from the General Fund. If passed, this will have no tax impact.

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0 No

Recommended by Budget Committee

Tally Vote – 6 Yes/0 No

Special Article #23 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion, but there was none. The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Special Article #23 carries.**

Article #24

Shall the Town vote to discontinue the Chester Police Department Capital Reserve Fund created in 1991. Said funds with accumulated interest to the date of withdrawal (approximately \$125) are to be transferred to the Town's general fund.

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0 No

Article #24 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion.

Charlotte Lister asked what the original purpose of this fund was; it was for a vehicle.

The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #24 carries.**

Article # 25

Shall the Town vote to discontinue the Fremont Road Bridge Capital Reserve Fund created in 2008. Said funds with accumulated interest to the date of withdrawal (approximately \$15) are to be transferred to the Town's general fund.

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0 No

Article #25 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion, but there was none. The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #25 carries.**

Article # 26

Shall the Town vote to discontinue the Employee Separation Capital Reserve Fund created in 2011. Said funds with accumulated interest to the date of withdrawal (approximately \$8,387) are to be transferred to the Town's general fund.

Recommended by Board of Selectmen

Tally Vote – 5 Yes/0 No

Article #26 was read, moved to the floor, and seconded. Moderator Scott called for discussion, but there was none. The question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. **Article #26 carries.**

Article #27

To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, and Committees of Officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Mr. Costine stated that he had heard the Budget Committee say several times today that they had not received necessary information in a timely fashion. He suggested that since the residents had voted to have a Budget Committee that they ask the Board of Selectmen to get information to them sooner next year.

Chairman Landau brought up the Chester Clothes Closet, and thanked Barbara Dolloff for her work. He noted that on Thursday, May 23rd, 2013 at 3:00pm, a dedication would be held dedicating the Food Pantry to the honor of Brendan Myers, by naming it "Brendan's Bounty".

Article #28

To transact any other business that may legally come before the Town.

As there was no further business, the question was called; the voice vote was in the affirmative. The 2013 Chester Town Meeting was adjourned at 2:36pm.

Barbara L. Gagnon, Town Clerk
Minutes taken by Debra H. Doda

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Sat 10-2; (July-Aug. closed Sat.)	
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Jeff Geary, Chair	785-8908
Brad Wamsley	887-1030
Supervisors of the Checklist	887-4344
Dianna Charron, Chair	

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Patricia Martin, Welfare Director	
Wilcomb Townsend Trust	
Barbara Dolloff	887-3809
Cynthia Tunberg	887-5790
Zoning Board of Adjustment	887-4343
Janet Boyden, Administrative Assistant	
W & F 8:30 am – 12:30 pm	

Town of Chester Observed Holidays – 2014-2015

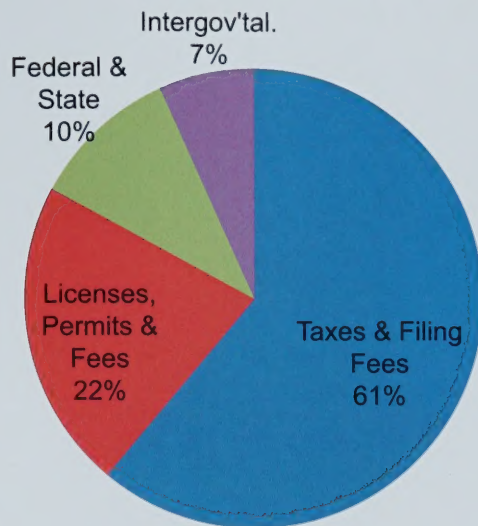
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Thursday, November 27, 2014	Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 28, 2014	Day after Thanksgiving
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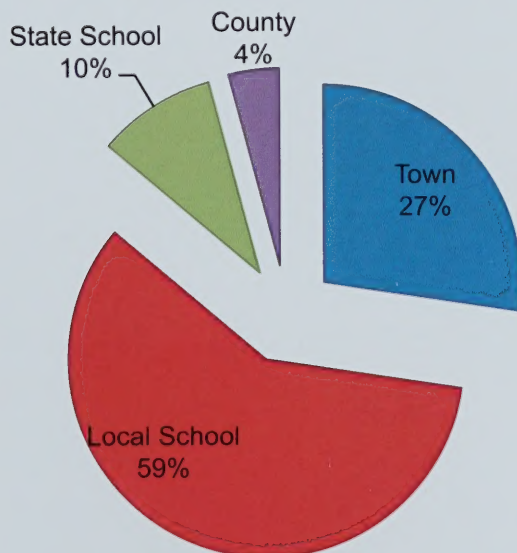
Revenues & Tax Rate as per May 18, 2013 Town Meeting (last year)

Revenues Yr. Ending 6/30/2013



Revenues are collected by the Town Clerk/Tax Collector and dispersed according to the tax rate percentages (see pie chart graph below) with taxpayers voting for the Local School Budget in March and for the Town Budget in May.

Tax Rate Percentages of \$25.17 per \$1,000



The NH Department of Revenue Administration (DRA) determined the tax rate calculation based upon the townspeople's votes for the local school's budget and town's budget in addition to State and County prorated costs to all NH taxpayers. This year's Town Meeting of May 17, 2014 will affect the Town's portion in the 2014 Tax Rate Calculation.

A photograph of a snowy winter scene. The foreground is a snow-covered path or road. The background is filled with numerous bare, snow-laden branches of trees and shrubs, creating a dense, white, and somewhat chaotic pattern. Some small, dark, reddish-brown leaves are visible on some branches. The overall tone is cold and wintry.

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